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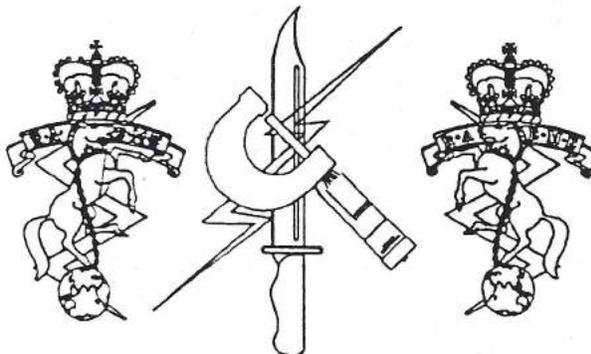
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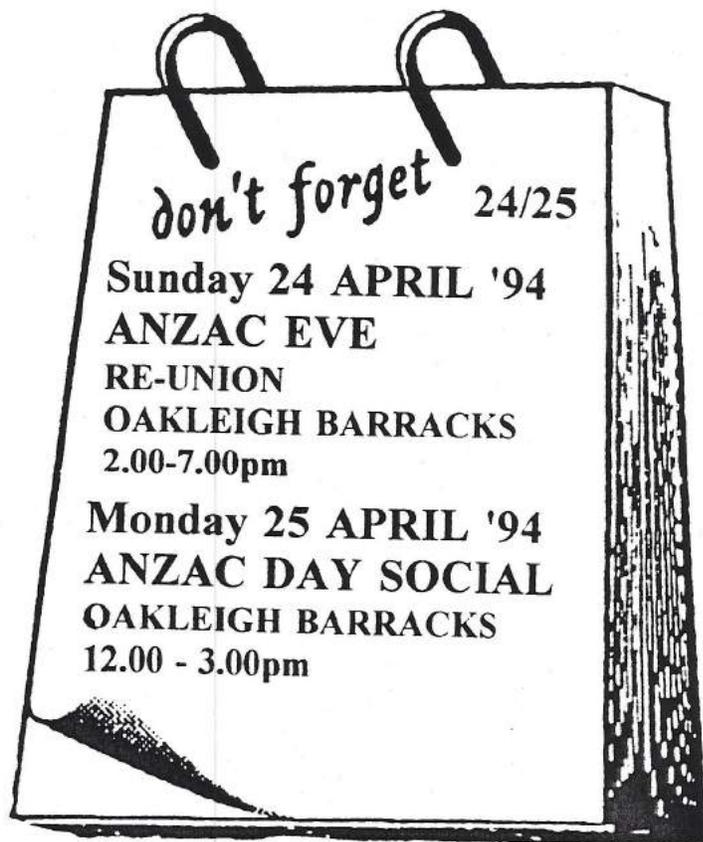
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### THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE . . .

This issue of 'The Lightning Flash' has become known as the ANZAC Issue (at least among the Committee anyway) as it contains all the formation on our ANZAC activities.

ANZAC Day is close at hand, closer than you think. With the Easter break the first week of April, it is time to get your plans in place so that you can take part in some of the planned activities.

This year, there are several changes that you should take note of NOW. Changes to the reunion timings, changes to the 'March' Form-Up Location, etc. Please read the information provided in this issue, and if in doubt, contact one of the telephone numbers provided.

The reunion has been re-timed to make attendance more convenient for the 'elders' of the tribe. Some of the Associate members (close family) should be able to assist them with transport.

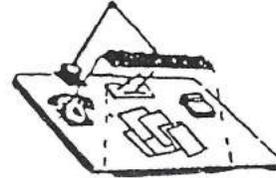
The 'March' is a prime opportunity for us to satisfy the main purpose for which the Association was formed - "TO PRESERVE THE MEMORY OF THOSE COMRADES WHO HAVE DIED ON SERVICE". Please put in that little bit extra and be part of the 'March'. Vehicles are organised for those who are not now so 'light on their feet'.

Please see and absorb all the details for activities - BEFORE and AFTER the 'March'. The hard working Sub-Committees are making every effort to make all activities as convenient as possible. Please support them and participate.

On a different subject. Congratulations to the Social Committee on the B.B.Q. Day organised at John and Pat Belfield's Tank Museum. A great day and thanks to the 'intrepid man with a mission' Belfield for his run down on equipments in the Museum and the 'Crock Park' over the hill. To those of you that missed out, we recommend a visit to one of the finest Military history collections in Australia.

Look forward to meeting up with you BEFORE, ON, and AFTER ANZAC Day.

JOHN LEE PRESIDENT



### THE SECRETARY'S CORNER

#### A POET'S THOUGHTS

As I arrived home from work on a recent evening, a letter was waiting from a member known as "Curley".

"Curley", decided it was time to bring his fees up to date, and at the same time enclosed a letter to me, and I share it with you. 'Curley' is 88 years young, and has produced a book of verse and poems, the book is called "I REMEMBER". Well, on reading the poetry, I felt that it is so good that I have requested the Editor of 'The Lightning Flash' to reproduce poems as space is available. However, to start the ball rolling, let me quote you a short poem belonging to Horace (Curley) CHADDICK.

#### PRIDE

*Soldiers going forward to the end of their long march,  
Life is nearly over with no great reward, Some medals, duty done and ..... PRIDE.*

*They enlisted in their thousands young and brave,  
But I stood and pondered: should I leave my family,  
Perhaps for an early grave. What was it that swayed me? ..... PRIDE.*

*I knew that men would take advantage, Wars are all the same,  
The cunning would be in high places with no shame,  
But we would be honoured in a city march, by mothers, sons and daughters. Where they looked at us with ..... PRIDE.*

*The pains of age attack us. No more impregnable array. No more guns thundering, thundering, to turn the enemy. Selfishness has taken over, and shattered ..... PRIDE.*

*And to the end, who are the people who change our flag?  
Would they give their blood? Let well alone, leave it flying proudly. For the pioneers and the rebels, in war, drought, and flood, Look upon the beautiful flag, with ..... PRIDE.*

That is one of many poems in 'Curley's' book.

"Thank you "Curley", others to read are:

Lest We Forget, Philip Island Action 1989, Australia, Toby, My Life; and many more. The book is available from our Editor, Jack Westernhagen at a very small cost to Assn members. If you would like a copy please let me know and it will be arranged. "Curley", also sends his regards to all members, and invites any RAEME member to call and visit him in Cannons Creek, I have his address.

FRIENDS: Just prior to Christmas, I received a letter from Bob Kershaw who for some time, has been residing in Queensland. (Bob was a Sergeant with 105 Fd Wksp in my time), Bob tells me his family are now into their teens and his son David (now 21), has joined the GRes (RAEME) in Queensland. Looks like a number of our sons are following on.

Bob and Joan have for many years sent their friends in Victoria an Annual Newsletter on the progress of both themselves and their children. It is always well received, and I for one appreciate hearing from friends with whom you joined up and served. It is great to know that friendships formed in the Services, either whilst at war, or in peace, can carry on for decades; they are what is known as true friendships.

At the same time, I have been advised that Dennis (Annie) Oakley and his wife Margaret have sold their house in Whourley (near Myrtleford), and have gone into a business in Culcairn, N.S.W. We wish them good luck in their new venture.

RAASC/RACT ASSOCIATION: The January issue of their Newsletter mentions some dates that would also be of interest to a number of our members. One is - 1994 Re-union, Fri 4th Nov, at Sturt Street, Depot, Time 1900 (7.00pm) hrs.

GOLF DAYS: Their Assn runs a number of golf Days at various clubs, if we have any members of our Assn who would like to set up a friendly challenge against RAASC/RACT Assn, please let Max Moore (802 9128) or Jack Westernhagen (509 5806) know that you are interested. Could be fun.

At a meeting held between both Committees, it was hoped perhaps some social functions could be held together to help boost numbers, suggestions put forward are: Golf, Ladies Dining Night, Sporting Dinner activities, or even perhaps a challenge cricket match.

We need your response as to types of functions and your interest to participate. (We enthusiastically continue to try and get your support and interest, help us to help you.) Your contact in this matter is Max Moore.

INTERSTATE ASSOCIATION NEWS: S.A. BRANCH: Advised that their Annual Meeting was held recently with a change of Committee members. We congratulate Darryl Holland on being elected as President, Doug Pammenter Vice President, David Turner Secretary, and Bob Killoran as Treasurer; with the same hearty congratulations being extended to all those other members finding the time to offer their services to the AEME/RAEME Assn (S.A. Branch). Well done. (Contact with S.A. Branch can be made via me.)

TASMANIA: Recently advised that their Annual Meeting was held on Fri 11th Feb '94, with a change of their Committee also. We congratulate George Hutchinson on being elected as President, Reg Anderson Secretary. (Contact is also available through me.)

ANZAC DAY AUSTRALIA WIDE: To all our sister Associations around Australia, we send our regards for ANZAC Day especially to our friends in Tasmania, we hope you all have a good one. If any of your members happen to be in Melbourne ANZAC Eve, they would be most welcome at our Re-union; of course it is a mixed function, (for address and times, refer our Social News).

Not a lot more from me this time, but later on in this issue read about our Re-union on ANZAC Eve, and don't forget to join us after the 'March' back at Oakleigh Barracks (buses will be available FROM and TO the Depot, BEFORE and AFTER the March as advertised in the Social News.)

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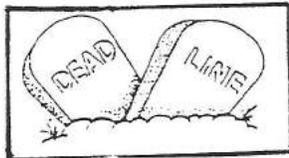
A question has been raised by one or two members as to why the RAEME Assn does not advertise any Officer's and Senior NCO's Mess functions at Oakleigh Barracks or at the Broadmeadows Military Camp.

Firstly, our Assn is a civilian organisation whose members are mostly retired Officers, Senior NCO's and Other Ranks.

Secondly, all Messes at Broadmeadows Military Camp are no longer RAEME Messes as we used to know them. They are now Composite Messes formed from the ARA serving members who belong to a specific unit or Corps which is located in that area. Also, any civilian employees employed by that unit, who meet the necessary requirements in view of their status in the normal course of their employment, may become members of that particular Mess. In the case of Oakleigh Barracks, these Messes are formed from the ARA Cadre Staff and GRes members serving with units located within that Barracks.

Therefore, PLEASE NOTE, we have no authority to advertise Mess functions without the expressed permission of the appropriate Mess Committees.

If the Secretary of a particular Mess wishes to extend an invitation to interested members of the RAEME Assn (Vic) Inc., to attend any of their Mess functions, this invitation will appear at the appropriate time under the SOCIAL NEWS column.

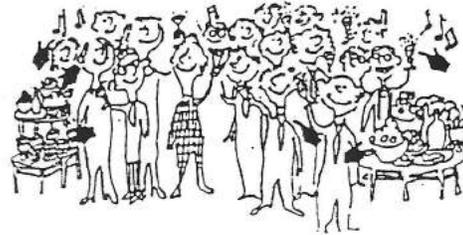


Next Issue.....

CUT OFF DATE 2 AUG '94 for 4 SEPT '94  
(A.G.M. & Social)

Where are those articles promised by some of our members? Don't leave all the work to your Editorial Committee - PARTICIPATE IN YOUR NEWSLETTER !!!!!

JACK WESTERNHAGEN EDITOR



## SOCIAL NEWS

Well it appears that 1994 will be a good year for Social Events if our first Social function is any indication.

**MELBOURNE TANK MUSEUM VISIT:** The visit to the Melbourne Tank Museum, followed by a B.B.Q. and socialising was a very successful day with 30 RAEME Assn members and partners, who were joined by 11 of The Old Sappers Assn and their partners.

As people arrived at the Museum of John & Pat Belfield, they assembled on the lawn area of the Coffee Shop. We started the day with Pat's special Devonshire Tea, freshly baked scones, farm fresh cream and home made jam (the more Pat cooked the more we ate).

We then moved into the Museum, where John talked about how he started collecting and how his family obtained, moved and re-assembled one of the biggest hangers I have been in for a long time. This was followed by a guided tour, explaining some of the history of Tanks, Vehicles, Guns and other equipment, then we moved among the displays at our own leisure. (To see it in full, takes about 3 hours). Members then moved outside for a B.B.Q. and more socialising.

The main comments were they did not realise it was so large, and were impressed with the complete layout, undercover, and with carpeted walkways. The day was capped off when John took a group up the back block where he has a holding area, with over 150 pieces of Military Equipment awaiting restoration. Every piece has a story on where it came from and the drama's of its recovery. John estimates it will take him another 100 years to restore them all. GOOD LUCK, JOHN. To John, Pat and family well done.

**1994 ANZAC EVE RE-UNION:** Our next function for '94 will be the ANZAC Eve Re-union on Sunday, 24th April. As advertised, we are moving our timing from night to an afternoon function, starting at 2.00pm through

to 7.00pm. This is so members, (especially some of our senior members) who have been unable to attend in the past, due to the late hour, can now enjoy their mate's comradeship and return home, rest up before the ANZAC Day, to this end, we look forward to seeing these members on ANZAC Eve. The theme for the afternoon will be 'MEMORABILIA FROM PAST WARS. If you have articles of interest that could be a good talking point, contact Jack Westernhagen (509 5806) Assn Historian. The format for the Re-union is:

**LOCATION:** Gymnasium, Oakleigh Barracks  
North Rd, SOUTH OAKLEIGH.

**TIMING:** 2.00pm Start - 7.00pm Close.

**COST:** \$10.00 per head, which will cover food and complimentary raffle tickets.

**DRINKS:** Heavy and soft at Bar prices, served vis The Old Sappers' Bar.

**FOOD:** Beef on the Spit, salads, etc.

**OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATION:** Due to the recent changes in our Constitution, Associate Members have been welcomed into our Assn. Therefore we have obtained permission for female members, and spouses of members to sleep over in the Barracks. Don't forget to book your bed early through Max Moore (802 9128) or Bob Hunter (754 6314).

**ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE:** At the Oakleigh Barracks in the past has been a moving ceremony, this year it should prove the same. The Depot RSM has organised a 'GUNFIRE BREAKFAST' which will be available to all at a token cost.

**COMING SOCIAL EVENTS:** Sunday, 4th Sept 1994, A.G.M. and Family Social Day - Full details in the Aug Issue of 'The Flash'.

**RAEME AND OLD SAPPERS ASSN'S COMBINED SOCIAL, FRIDAY, 11th Nov '94:** Re-Enactment of the Burial of the Unknown Soldier, incorporating a Re-union of the 1993 Canberra trip.

**GOLF CHALLENGE:** Your Social Committee has received a Golf Challenge from the RAASC/RACT Assn, if we have enough golfers, a Social Day could be arranged. So, golfers please register your interest with Jack Westernhagen (509 5806). A function of this nature could be organised in August or September.

**MAX MOORE, CONVENOR**

## SIMPSON AND HIS DONKEY



(Erected on the Western side of the Melbourne Shrine of Remembrance)

Pte. John Simpson is almost a legendary figure in the history of Australians at war. He was a man who, by his endless devotion to duty and deep compassion for the wounded, in the brief time allowed him, set a standard of unostentatiousness and self-sacrifice that has captured the imagination of all who have read of his deeds.

He was born John Simpson Kirkpatrick (he chose to enlist under the name of John Simpson), in County Durham, England on 6th July, 1892. He enlisted at Blackboy Hill Camp, Western Australia on 25th August, 1914, in the 3rd Australian Field Ambulance. Of a stocky build and the possessor of a carefree and cheerful nature, there was that touch of individualism which gave added colour to his qualities of kindness and courage. Passionately fond of animals - every dog was his friend in camp - he even managed to take a young possum with him on his trip to Egypt. It seemed quite right that he would later seek the assistance of an animal in his work of saving lives.

Simpson was the second man ashore from his boat at the landing at Gallipoli. The first and third men of "C" Bearer Section were killed. Because of the heavy casualties suffered by the section on that first day, and the loss of equipment, it has been suggested that this is the reason that Simpson got the idea of commandeering a small donkey to assist him on his errands of mercy. Various reasons have been given to explain the presence of these animals at ANZAC Cove - the carrying of water, the testing of water (as it is a well-known fact that donkeys will not drink impure or poisoned water), and even the highly coloured explanation that a number of them were to be turned loose with lighted faggots on their backs

and lanterns around their necks to frighten the superstitious Turks in the darkness. The most likely version is that put forward by members of the 16th Bn, Machine Gun Section, ie, that two donkeys were purchased by the Battalion at Lemnos for the purpose of carrying gear and ammunition. One of them, it is said, was recognised as being the donkey commandeered by Simpson.

Again, there is some confusion about the name of the donkey used by Simpson. "Murphy", "Duffy" and "Abdul", are three of the names by which the animal was known. It has been said that he operated with two donkeys. Simpson himself was known by various nicknames, one of which was "Murphy" - this no doubt, arising from the incorrect assessment of his accent. There are conflicting reports on the the manner of his death and widely varied are the number of wounded men he reportedly brought to safety at the Dressing Station on the beach. None of these conflicting reports alter the fact that he was a supremely brave man motivated by no other desire than to assist his comrades when they were so desperately in need of help. The terrible conditions of those early days were such that, at a later date, blurred reports must inevitably have resulted. The main aspect on which all agreed, is that during the short period of his service on Gallopli, Simpson behaved with almost super-human bravery, carried a great many of his wounded comrades to safety and earned the admiration of all who saw him at work.

The shortage of bearers and equipment after that first day were so great that Simpson (Kirkpatrick), acquiring his small donkey, assumed a free hand and ran his own Casualty Clearing Service from Shrapnel Gully (later renamed Monash Valley), to the Beach Ambulance Stations for 25 days - he was killed on 19th May. He worked untiringly in his dedicated role, completely oblivious of the heavy Machine-Gun fire, bursting shrapnel and deadly sniping down the valley, administering to his comrades. He would give the slightly wounded man First Aid, loosen the equipment of a dying man, and for the leg wounds and those who had enough strength and presence of mind to hang on; he would carry on his donkey.

The profound impression he made on those who saw him at work is evident in the following extracts from the Official History of the War of 1914-18. Colonel A.G. Butler, the Medical Historian wrote: "A stretcher-bearer of the 3rd Field Ambulance, of quiet disposition, enlisted as "Simpson", had obtained a small donkey, and with this animal (known as "Duffy"), he for many hours daily traversed the valley, bringing down in this way an extraordinary number of cases. When warned of the extreme danger that he ran, he would always

reply "My troubles!". On May 19th, at the same spot as General Bridges, Simpson was shot through the heart. No plaque of bronze has marked his valour, but in the memory of his brief service he gained a monument more enduring. "Simpson" has been selected for mention because the quality of his courage and the nature of the service in which he lost his life are typical of those demanded of the stretcher-bearer, who must carry his case undeviatingly, without haste but without rest through long periods of exacting and dangerous toil. Conduct such as his, and the high standard set from the first in the rescue of wounded, gained for the stretcher-bearer what they desired - not a halo of sentimental eulogy, but the confidence of the men who fought and comradeship on terms of quality with them.

And Dr. C.E.W. Bean has this to say: "There was one bearer whose name has become a tradition in Australia. A number of donkeys with Greek drivers had been landed on April 25th for water-carrying. The Greeks were soon deported, and after the first days the donkeys ceased carrying and fed idly in the gullies till they gradually disappeared. Pte. Simpson of the 3rd Australian Field Ambulance, was seized with the idea that one of these might be more useful for moving men wounded in the leg. On the night of April 25th, he annexed a donkey, and each day, and half of every night, he worked continuously between the head of Monash Valley and the beach, his donkey carrying a brassard around its forehead and a wounded man on its back.

Simpson escaped death so many times that he was completely fatalistic; the deadly sniping down the valley and the furious shrapnel fire never stopped him. The Colonel of his Ambulance Station recognising the value of his work, allowed him to carry on as a completely separate unit. He camped with his donkey at the Indian mule camp, and had only to report once a day at the Field Ambulance. Presently, he annexed a second donkey. On May 19th, he went up the valley past the water-guard where he generally had his breakfast, but it was not ready. "Never mind", he called. "Get 'me a good dinner when I come back!".

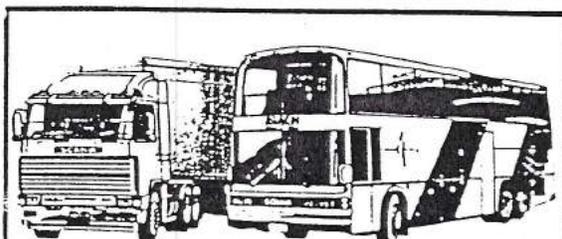
He never came back. With two patients he was coming down the creek-bed when he was hit through the heart, both the wounded men being wounded again. He carried many scores of men down the valley, and had saved many lives at the cost of his own". Colonel (later General) John Monash, at that time Commanding Officer of the 4th Brigade, in a letter dated

20th May, 1915, to HQ New Zealand and Australian Division, wrote as follows: "I desire to bring under special notice for favour of transmission to the proper authority, the case of Pte. Simpson, stated to belonging to "C" Section of the 3rd Field Ambulance. This man has been working in this valley since 26th April, in collecting the wounded, and carrying them to the Dressing Stations. He has a small donkey, which he used to carry all cases unable to walk.

Pte. Simpson and his little beast earned the admiration of everyone at the upper end of the valley. They worked all day and night through-out the whole period since landing and the help rendered to the wounded was invaluable. Simpson knew no fear and moved unconcernedly amid shrapnel and rifle fire, steadily carrying out his self-imposed task day by day, and he frequently earned the applause of the personnel for his many fearless rescues of wounded men from areas subject to shrapnel fire.

Simpson and his donkey were yesterday killed by shrapnel fire and inquiry then elicited that he belonged to some of the A.A.M.C. units with this Brigade, but had become separated from his own unit, and had carried on his perilous work on his own initiative." The story of Simpson is to a large extent the story of all stretcher-bearers, unsustained by the hot-blooded heroism shown by men in all violent action; unable to retaliate, with only the often meagre protection afforded by a Red Cross flag, these men calmly exposed their lives to danger to save their comrades and so built up the tradition of unselfishness and cool courage that is a feature of their service.

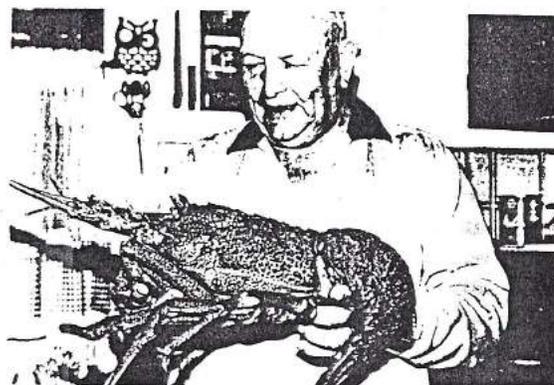
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## Member's Profile



### Harold William CHAMBERLAIN

Born 24th October, 1910 at Sandstone Western Australia. In 1915 the family moved to Gardenvale (Vic), then when Harold's father enlisted in WW1 the family moved in with relations at Werribee.

Whilst residing in Werribee, Harold became an ardent Geelong supporter, and soon commenced a distinctive Geelong District League football career for himself between 1929-51. In 1932, in the match between Werribee v I.N.F. he kicked 6 goals in the Grand Final for Werribee. In another game for Werribee v Bacchus Marsh at Chirnside Park, he and a John Daniel O'Brien kicked 15 goals between them out of Werribee's total of 25 goals. In 1933, he was invited to train at Carlton, but he chose to play with Trafalgar. On 6 Oct 1951 was called upon to replace the existing Timekeeper in the S.A. National Football League, the game being played was Geelong v Port Adelaide.

On 28th July, 1934 at Werribee, Harold married his lovely wife Gladys and during their marriage were blessed with two daughters, Marli and Jillian.

On 12th January 1940, he enlisted in the Australian Army at the Melbourne Town Hall, saw service with 3rd Military District Infantry Battalion at Lysterfield, Drysdale and Watsonia as a Bren-Gun Carrier driver and in the transport pool. Whilst at Watsonia he transferred to 113 Australian Brigade Wksp as a transport driver. He saw service in New Guinea around the Port Moresby area at sites known as Pitts Street and Pioneer Crossing, from 12th December, 1943-24th December 1944. (Serving also in the same unit at the same time, was another of our members, Doug Brazier). Harold was discharged on 1st January, 1945 on

his return to Australia.

His first employment after being demobbed was with Cresco Fertilizers, Geelong as an Assistant Engineer, building towers to remove the Nitric Acid from the Sulphur burners.

In 1945 he joined the ranks of taxi drivers with Embassy Taxis becoming a Foundation Member and Director of that company. Many celebrities were driven around Melbourne by Harold, including the late film actor and comedian, Danny Kaye, the world renown concert pianist Jose Iturbi and little 'MO' Connolly the tennis star just to name a few. Whilst a member of the Victorian Government Motor Pool in 1956, he was the chauffeur for the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester and many Parliamentarians.

In 1960, due to poor health, Harold left Embassy Taxis. He was the personal driver for the late John Dixon, Managing Director of Kia Ora products between 1960-80 before permanently retired. He was also the personal driver for Sir Maurice Natham, when he was Mayor of the City of Melbourne.

In 1956, Harold joined the old AEME Assn, whose Office Bearers at the time were, Norm Thompson President, Les McCoubrie Vice President and Alex Cram as the Secretary. In 1960, he was given a a Life Membership.

## REUNION

### 50TH YEAR JUBILEE RE-UNION RADAR MECHANICS COURSES No.'s 26 & 27

On 26th Apr 1943, thirty servicemen commenced a Radio Physics course at the Sydney Technical College. Three hours Theory in the morning, three hours Practical in the afternoon and three hours private study back in camp at Randwick Racecourse in the evening.

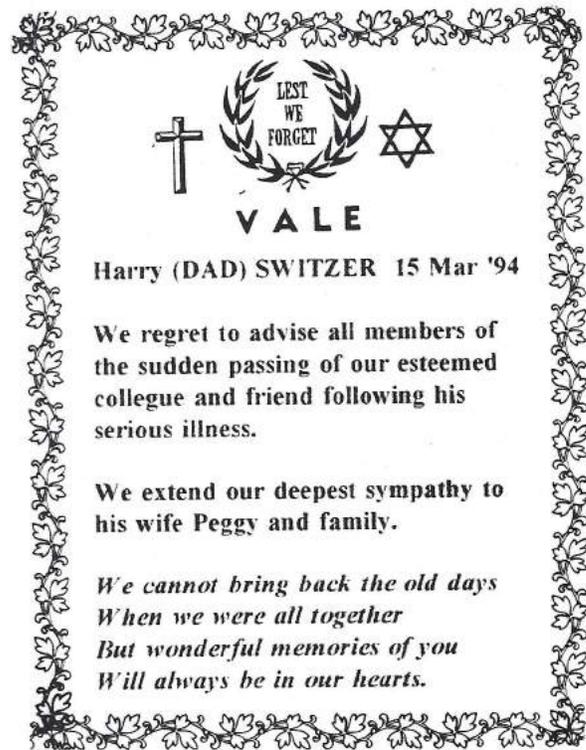
Most members of the course were from N.S.W., with only 4 from Victoria. Several had seen service overseas or in Darwin. Those who were successful, commenced Radar Mechanics courses at Ingleburn on 1st Nov 1943. Course No. 26 was on AC and DC, Course No. 27 was on GI and Searchlights.

Small 'Get-Togethers' commenced in 1976 when one of the craftsmen retired. On 2nd May 1993, a 50th Year Jubilee Re-union occurred at the home of Bruce Coy in Kanahooks (South of Wollongong, N.S.W.). All but one of the original 30 have now been accounted for. Some did not return from WW2, and some have since died.

Fifteen, accompanied by their wives, attended the Re-union. Each was asked to briefly outline his life story since his posting in late Jan 1943. This was video taped and each member later received a copy. As many had not seen or heard of each other for 50 years, some stories were most interesting and fascinating.

A small Re-union was held in Aug 1993 to complete the taping and a big effort is planned to meet again in Feb 1994 at Mittagong (N.S.W.).

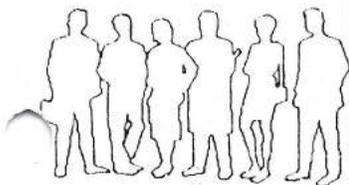
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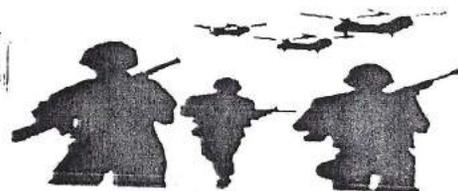
Lyll BUTLING - Is recovering at home following a serious illness and a short stay in Heidelberg Repat Hospital. It will be a further 6 months before he will be on the road to a full recovery.

Kerry BRINDELL - Was in a near fatal car accident approx 6 weeks ago. She sustained serious facial injuries and broke several bones in her body. Kerry was on the Critical List for 4 days, but has now recovered sufficiently and is able to receive visitors. She would love to see, or hear in writing, from any Assn members. Kerry is in Bethesda Hospital, East Richmond. Contact: Max Moore (802-9128).



# ANZAC-EVE REUNION

## 24 APRIL 1994



### NOTE THE NEW START TIME

Over many years the main Social activity which we have looked forward to has been our Reunion night on Anzac Eve.

Unfortunately the years have been catching up with many of us with the result that a late night before Anzac Day was too much for some who had to decide between the reunion and the march.

This meant that we had not seen many of our mates for some time, to this end the Social Committee in line with the Main Committee have taken the step (same as many other Associations) and have moved our Reunion to an afternoon function.

Take this opportunity to have an ale with those mates you have not seen for some time, better still give them a ring and organise to bring other AEME/RAEME members with you, maybe a family member could pick you up.

This is on a trial basis and will be an agenda item at the next AGM.

DATE : Sunday 24th April 1994

TIME : 2pm till 7pm ( plus ? )

LOCATION : Oakleigh Barracks (Gymnasium)  
North Rd  
South Oakleigh (200 yds from Huntingdale Station)

COST : \$10.00 per head  
(this includes Spit Roast Dinner & Complimentary Raffle Tickets)

DRINKS : All drinks at Mess cost price.

#### OVER NIGHT ACCOMMODATION:

Country members and those intending to sleep over and attend the Dawn Service at Oakleigh Barracks or the SHRINE, sleeping accommodation has been organised for both Male and Female Members, Don't forget to book a bed early through MAX MOORE (03) 8029128.

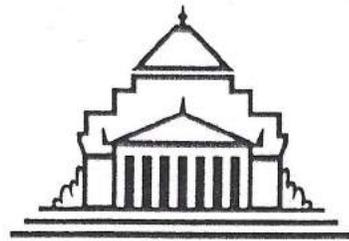
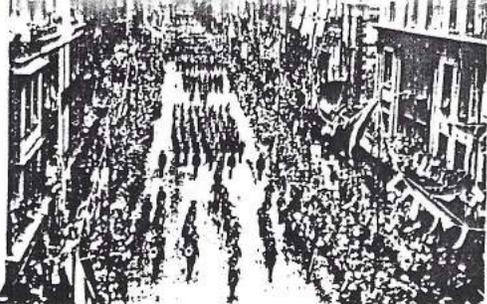
To assist in catering it would be appreciated if Members could contact Max Moore or Jack Westernhagen 509 5806. with No's attending. **RSVP 14 APRIL PLEASE**

#### DAWN SERVICE OAKLEIGH BARRACKS:

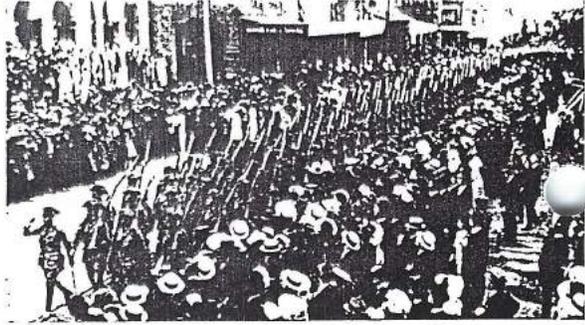
The RSM Oakleigh Barracks has again organised a moving Dawn Service to be followed by a Gunfire Breakfast.

ANY ENQUIRES TO MAX MOORE 802 9128 WK 358 1349  
JACK WESTERNHAGEN 509 5806

DISPLAY THIS ON YOUR NOTICE BOARD SO YOU WON'T FORGET



SHRINE of REMEMBRANCE



316. MEMORIAL TO 1915-18 BATTALIONS MARCHING THROUGH MELBOURNE 1940

# ANZAC DAY MARCH

## NOTE NEW FORM UP POINT

### ANZAC DAY MELBOURNE

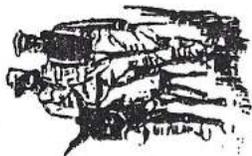
- FORM UP POINT :** East end of Flinders St, between Russell and Exhibition St on the South Side, look for the Association Banner.  
(Refer ANZAC March brochure attached.)
- FORM UP TIME :** From 0930am :- **STEP OFF TIME:** approx 1050am
- ASSOCIATION MARCH MARSHALL :** Jack Westernhagen
- AFTER MARCH SOCIAL :** Refer below.
- TRANSPORT :** For the Dawn Service, the MET will put on free travel, just show proof you are attending the Service.  
(Wear Medals, RSL Badge, etc.)  
You are advised to check at your MET Station, prior to ANZAC Day to confirm departure times.  
Free travel on the MET for the "March", available.
- SHUTTLE SERVICE :** A Tram shuttle service from City to Shrine has been organised for the Dawn Service.
- MOUNTED TRANSPORT:** Limited seating in Jeeps for TPI or Elderly Members  
Seats must be booked Via Bruce Williams on 5618354.
- REFRESHMENTS :** Tea, Coffee & Biscuits will be available at the South Gate of Victoria Barracks after the Dawn Service and on the Shrine Lawn after the "March."

### ANZAC DAY OAKLEIGH BARRACKS

- DAWN SERVICE:** Start Time 0600am, Location, Main Parade Ground west end of Barracks, Spectators to form up around Parade Ground perimeter.  
Association Veterans wishing to join the Parade are to form up along the East West Road between the Q Store and Messes prior to 0550am.
- BREAKFAST:** At conclusion of Dawn Service. Cost \$2.00 Per Head
- TRANSPORT:** Free Buses from Oakleigh Barracks to the City for the "March", Departure time 0800 am. Return Buses to Oakleigh Barracks will depart from Birdwood Av. behind the Shrine. Last Bus leaves 1215am Sharp.  
Additional Bus will leave the Barracks for City at 3pm
- AFTER MARCH SOCIAL:** Association Members assembly Area, the South end

**PT TIMES:**

times shown are when it is estimated that associations will move off their assembly s. They assume Assns will keep e up behind the to their front hat there are APS.



**at the Signal**

ORDER OF MARCH 0900hrs  
 Department of Mounted Police  
 Victoria Police Combined Band  
 of the March  
 Victoria Cross Holder(s)  
 JUP  
 Ex-Servicemen  
 and Ex-Servicemen  
 led (In vehicles)

- 233 9 Division Cavalry Regiment
- 234 29 Armoured Regiment
- 235 27 Field Regiment
- 236 28 Field Regiment
- 237 Band
- 238 2/12 Field Regiment
- 239 2/4 Light Anti Aircraft Regiment
- 240 RAE 9 Division
- 241 Signals 9 Division
- 242 Band
- 243 20 Bde (2/13,2/15,2/17 Bns)
- 244 2/28 Inf Battalion
- 245 2/32 Inf Battalion) 24 Bde
- 246 2/43 Inf Battalion
- 247 2/23 Inf Battalion
- 248 Band
- 249 2/24 Inf Battalion) 26 Bde
- 250 2/48 Inf Battalion
- 251 2/3 Pioneer Battalion
- 252 9 Division AASC
- 253 2/3 Casualty Clearing Station
- 5 Division 1028 hrs
- 254 Band
- 255 Leader 6 Division
- 256 2/6 Cavalry Commando Regiment
- 257 2/1 Field Regiment
- 258 2/2 Field Regiment
- 259 2/3 Field Regiment
- 260 2/1 Field Coy RAE
- 261 2/2 Field Coy RAE
- 262 Spare
- 263 Band
- 264 2/8 Field Coy RAE
- 265 6 Division Signals
- 266 2/2 Inf Battalion
- 267 Spare
- 268 1/7 Inf Brigade HQ
- 269 2/5 Inf Battalion
- 270 2/6 Inf Battalion
- 271 Band
- 272 2/7 Inf Battalion
- 273 2/4 Inf Battalion )
- 274 2/8 Inf Battalion ) 19 Bde
- 275 2/11 Inf Battalion
- 276 2/3 Machine Gun Battalion
- 277 6 Division AASC
- 278 2/2 Field Ambulance/2/1 CCS
- 279 Spare
- 3 Division WW2 1036 hrs
- 280 Band
- 281 Leader 3 Division
- 282 Headquarters 3 Division
- 283 9 Division Cavalry Regiment
- 284 2 Field Regiment
- 285 4 Field Regiment
- 286 101 Heavy Mortar Company
- 287 106 Tank Attack Regiment
- 288 Band
- 289 4 Field Coy RAE
- 290 10 Field Coy RAE
- 291 15 Field Coy RAE
- 292 53 Field Park Coy RAE
- 293 Signals 3 Division
- 294 15 Brigade Signals Section
- 295 Band
- 296 24 Inf Battalion )
- 297 57/60 Inf Battalion) 15 Bde
- 298 58/59 Inf Battalion)
- 299 7 Inf Battalion)
- 300 8 Inf Battalion) 23 Bde
- 301 27 Inf Battalion)
- 302 42 Inf Battalion) (29 Inf Bde)
- 303 Band
- 304 3 Division AASC
- 305 4 Field Ambulance
- 306 15 Field Ambulance
- 307 126 Brigade Workshops
- 308 127 Brigade Workshops
- 5 & 11 Divisions 1048 hrs
- 309 Band
- 310 Leader 5 & 11 Divisions
- 311 2/8 Armoured Regiment
- 312 22 Inf Battalion
- 313 29/46 Inf Battalion
- 314 37/52 Inf Battalion
- 315 Band
- 316 14/32 Inf Battalion
- 317 38 Inf Battalion
- 318 2 Field Ambulance
- 319 6 Field Ambulance
- 320 Spare
- 1st Army, New Guinea Force, 2 Corps 1052hrs
- 321 Band
- 322 Leader 1 Army, NGF, 2 Corps
- 323 13 Armoured Regiment
- 324 20 Pioneer Battalion (VMR)
- 325 Heavy Ack Ack Association
- 326 67 Ack Ack Searchlight-Bty
- 327 112 Light Ack Ack Regiment
- 328 116 Light Ack Ack Regiment
- 329 Old Sappers Association
- 330 20 Field Coy RAE
- 331 Water Transport Units RAE
- 332 Docks Operating Coys RAE (2/3,2/6)
- 333 33 Aust Works Company
- 334 Band
- 335 Spare
- 336 R Aust Signals Association
- 337 New Guinea Air Warning Wireless
- 338 Aust Special Wireless Group
- 339 RAAAC/RACT Association
- 340 118 AGT Company (Ushers Mob)
- 341 135 AGT Company
- 342 159 AGT Company
- 343 Band
- 344 RAAOC Association
- 345 3 Supply Group AAOO
- 346 11 Advanced Workshops
- 347 RAEME Assn
- Post 1945 Services 1 100 hrs
- 348 Band
- 349 Leader
- 350 BCOF
- 351 Korean Veterans' Association
- 352 Korea & SE Asia Forces Association
- 353 WRAAF 1951-77
- 354 Band
- 355 RAAF Vietnam
- 356 RAAF Sinai
- 357 Aust Army Training Team Vietnam
- 358 Headquarters (AFV,ATF,ALSG)
- 359 Spare
- 360 RAAC (4/19,1 Airmd,1 APC,3 Cav)
- 361 RAA (1,4,12 Fd Regts 131 Div Loc Bt
- 362 RAE (1 Fd Sqn,17 Constr Sqn,Fd Par
- 363 RA Signals (104,110 Sqn,537 Sig Tp)
- 364 City of Melbourne HPB
- 365 Leader RAR
- 366 2nd Battalion RAR
- 367 3rd Battalion RAR
- 368 4th Battalion RAR
- 369 Band
- 370 5th Battalion RAR
- 371 6th Battalion RAR
- 372 7th Battalion RAR
- 373 8th Battalion RAR
- 374 9th Battalion RAR
- 375 1st Battalion RAR
- 378 Aust Special Air Service Assn
- 377 161 Recce Flt Assn
- 378 RAAOC Vietnam
- 379 RAAOC Vietnam (1 Fd Hosp, 2 Fd Ar
- 380 RAAOC Vietnam
- 381 RAEME Vietnam
- 382 Band



## FROM THE PUBLIC OFFICER

The amendments to our Purposes and Rules as voted on at the AGM have been approved by Corporate Affairs and are now in effect.

When you joined our Association you were given a copy of the Constitution and Rules which included the Statement of Purposes. You have also been given a copy of the changes which included the reason for those changes.

Included with this edition of the Flash is an amendment sheet with instructions on how to insert those amendments. It is **YOUR** responsibility to amend your copy immediately. The future operation of the Association is now governed by that **AMENDED Constitution and Rules**.

When the Constitution and rules are reprinted these amendments will be included.

R W Hunter  
Public Officer for the RAEME Association Vic (Inc).

## AMENDMENTS

Rule 2.(1)

**Delete** sentence beginning "**Special Member** " in its entirety.

**Insert** "Special Member", means a member in need as determined by the committee.  
"Associate Member", means an Associate member of the association.

**Insert new rule.**

3A.(1) A person over the age of 18 and of the immediate family of a member (or a deceased member) who meets the requirements of Rule 3.(1) and is nominated and approved in accordance with these rules is eligible to be an Associate Member of the Association on payment of the prescribed annual subscriptions payable under these rules.

3A.(2) An Associate Member shall have the same rights and privileges and be subject to the same rules as a member, **EXCEPT THAT** an Associate Member may not serve on the Committee of Management, nominate a person for the Committee of Management, or vote at a General Meeting.

**Delete Rule 35 in its entirety and insert:-**

35.A. The organisation shall be dissolved in the event of membership of less than four (4) persons or upon the vote of a 3/4th majority of members present at a "Special General Meeting" convened to consider such question.

B. Upon the resolution being passed in accordance with paragraph "A" of this rule, all assets and funds of the organisation?association on hand shall, after the payment of all expenses and liabilities, be handed over to such registered or exempted charity (or charities/ Association) as a simple majority of the members at a "Special General Meeting" so convened, or a subsequent "Special General Meeting" may decide.

