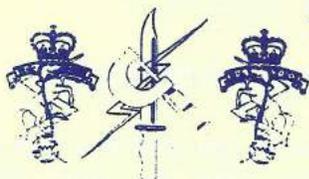


THE LIGHTNING FLASH



SOLDIER and CRAFTSMAN

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THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

As Bruce and his wife Sandra, have departed on a overseas trip at the time of going to print there will be no message from him in this edition.

However, we wish them both an enjoyable holiday and a safe return to their family afterwards.

My name is Jack TUSLER, I am an ex member of 105 & 301 Fd Wksp respectively. I have been an Ordinary Member since the Chapel Street days. My only involvement with the association has been to pay my yearly dues and to turn up to a few functions. Not much input till now really.

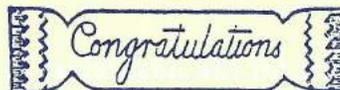
Since taking on the role as Secretary, the job has opened my eyes to the amount of work done by other members of our committee. They, the other committee members, really dedicate time and effort in running the association. I hope I can follow in their footsteps.

Being young and with time on my hands, it will be a pleasure to give new ideas and contribute to the day to day running of the association. In time, and with more experience in this job, I will be adding a lot more news to The Secretary's Corner. I am sure I will meet most of our members in the near future.



THE SECRETARY'S CORNER

Firstly, I would like to introduce myself as the new Secretary of the RAEME Association (Vic) Inc.



To our new Life Member Douglas George Brazier who was invested with this honour at the Aug '96 A.G.M.

Here is a little story I would like to quote.

WHAT TYPE OF MEMBER ARE YOU?

Some members keep the association so strong while some join to just belong.

Some dig right in and serve with pride.

Some go along just for the ride.

Some volunteer and do their share, whilst others lay back and just don't care.

Some do their best and help to make.

Some do nothing only take.

Some help the association to grow and grow.

When asked to help they don't say NO!

Some drag, some pull, some don't, some do.

Consider which of these are you?

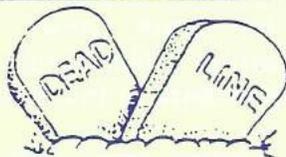
Arte et Marte

JACK TUSLER, SECRETARY



The Editorial Sub-Committee are continually seeking ways of improving the presentation of 'The Flash'. With this issue, we have changed back to the old A4 format, thus eliminating some of the high costs in its previous production. It will be interesting to hear from members their thoughts on this new presentation.

We are always seeking contributions of articles from members. Perhaps with the introduction of our new 'Lightning Flash' Prize being offered has made members put their thinking caps on and come up with some good articles worthy of publication. Keep those articles coming in.



Material for the next issue of 'THE FLASH' must reach the editor not later than:

14th MARCH 1997

JACK WESTERNHAGEN, EDITOR

**SPECIAL EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE**

Dear fellow members, we had our trip to Bandiana on Sat 14th & Sun 15th September 1996. Together with 32 others from Oakleigh Barracks or picked-up enroute we lunched at the Howlong Golf Club where several members cleaned out the poker machines of some \$300.00 richer.

We left there for Bandiana, arriving about 5pm, where, with the excellent help of Brian Tingwell (thanks 'Tinga') we were provided with our rooms, which were well set up, clean and tidy. We changed for dinner and moved into the Old RAEME Sergeant's Mess for an informal buffet & social evening.

Our official guests were, Brigadier Ross Grant DGMAT-A, Colonel Bruce Amor RAEME Corps Director, WO 1 Craig Jones RSM AL Trg Centre & PMC of the AL Northern Bandiana Mess, and their ladies were made welcome by our President & Vice President (Bruce & Jack) who offered them refreshments on arrival. Later they were introduced to the gathering where they mingled freely with the crowd talking to all present who wished to speak with them. They are really down to earth people and very easy to talk with.

The Buffet, a great spread was served with plenty of seconds or thirds for those who wished to partake. We had an excellent talk on the future of the Corps by Colonel Bruce Amor followed by questions and answers afterwards. The evening went very quickly, as these evenings always seem to do.

Breakfast on Sunday morning was a B.B.Q. (thanks to Bill Slegers for donating the eggs). We enbused for a quick visit to the Corps Shop, before visiting the RAAOC Museum (not to be missed) at our leisure, then home around 6.30 pm via 2 wineries and a

great little pub for lunch.

Thanks to you all at Bandiana for your great help. We have been invited back again next year with the offer of a tour through the Tank Wksp by Colonel Amor.

To those who did attend, I am sure they had a great time. To those who did not attend, you missed a great week-end away with fellow members, their wives and/or partners and welcomed friends of members.

ALBERT PARK MEMORIAL STONE & PLAQUE - Due to circumstances beyond our control, members are advised that this event will now be held on Sunday 24th Nov '96 between 2 - 3.30 pm (refer flier enclosed for full details).

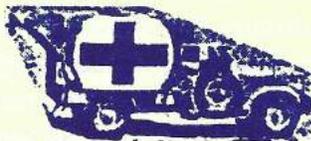
RAEME DINNER DANCE OAKLEIGH BARRACKS, SATURDAY 23rd NOVEMBER '96 - Members were advised of this coming event by separate mail in August & again at the '96 A.G.M. There are still plenty of tickets available so come along and enjoy the company of your fellow members of the association. Tickets are available at \$25.00 per head by contacting me either via:

Post: 8 Neera Court,
GLEN WAVERLEY. VIC. 3150

or

Phone: (03) 9802 6406
PETER CARTLEDGE, CONVENOR

SICK PARADE



KEN KERMONDE - Through a phone call to his wife Alice, I learnt that Ken is in no better health and is confined to bed for long rests. I conveyed to Alice RAEME's best wishes for Ken's speedy recovery.

GEOFF MAGGS - is now able to walk with one walking stick. In a week's time he will be allowed to drive his car with a licensed driver alongside him. Nancy, Geoff's wife, will be responsible for

change. Great to know Geoff is recovering so well, our kindest regards from all RAEME members.

ARANKA ILLIA - was admitted to the Dandenong Hospital on Fri 27.9.96 for a Gallstone operation. I visited her on the Saturday afterwards and she returned home on Monday 29.9.96. We wish her good health & fit enough to still go on her overseas holiday as originally planned on Saturday 5.10.96. Good Luck Aranka, from the RAEME committee and our membership.

DON BROWN - I visited Don at his home where he was convalescing & he looks a lot better, gradually getting back to his normal good health. It was very nice to yarn over Army service days & compare notes. Don was very appreciative of my visit.

MARY WESTERNHAGEN - My wife Roma & I visited our Vice President's wife in the Waverley Private Hospital where she had undergone a complete left knee reconstruction. There was standing room only at the bedside, children, grandchildren and lots of relatives being present. Mary is now home, with lots of physiotherapy, to get back to good health. RAEME committee and members send their kindest regards.

PETER CARTLEDGE - On 27.9.96, Peter rolled a shoulder muscle, but is now fit again and back at work. Regards Peter from the RAEME committee & members.

RON BYRON - I rang Ron's wife Gwen on 1.10.96. Ron is eating a little better and recognises Gwen on visits. Ron is also walking steadier. Kindest regards to Ron & Gwen from your many RAEME friends.

JENNY MOORE - Is still receiving treatment to her ankle and recovering at home. Keep up the good work Jenny.

REG COX, WELFARE OFFICER
Ph: (03) 9561 5258

From: Brigadier C. Ermert
Representative Colonel Commandant RAEME



Telephone: 03 9510 4061
Facsimile: 03 9529 7400

6 Donald Street
PRAHRAN VIC 3181

31 July 1996

The President,

Dear Sir,

THE RAEME CRAFTSMAN

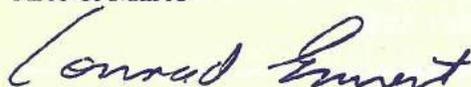
For some time I have been concerned that our Corps magazine, The RAEME Craftsman, reflects only the interests of those who are still in active service with the Corps. I am conscious of the very large numbers of past members of the Corps who wish to retain some contact with the Corps. You would be aware that I take every opportunity to encourage those members to make contact with their respective Associations, however that does not suit everyone and other means are obviously required.

At the last national Corps Committee meeting the matter was discussed and it was agreed that we should encourage all of the AEME/RAEME Associations to have an input into The Craftsman, thereby recognising their role in providing a link with the retired members of the Corps. Such contributions would provide a forum for the wider publication of Association activities, would significantly broaden the potential readership of The Craftsman and would add extra relevance to the magazine for a very large number of retired and serving members of the Corps.

I would therefore invite you to participate in this process by contributing material to The Craftsman on an on-going basis. I would urge you to discuss the issue with your committee and canvas your membership for articles of interest for publication, including reports of recent activities, summaries of decisions taken at executive and general committee meetings, contact details, and particularly news of personalities. The Editor of The Craftsman would be pleased to offer advice on the preferred type and style of articles and the means of transmitting the information to the editorial staff.

I look forward to your contributions providing a new dimension to The Craftsman and the wider interests of the Corps.

Arte et Marte


Conrad Ermert

' I WAS THERE '

At the recent '96 RAEME association reunion, I was approached by the Editor if I would consider writing an article for 'The Flash' on the RCEME (Royal Canadian Electrical & Mechanical Engineers).

After a lot of thought, a few beers and some more thought, I decided that something that may be of interest to you, the RAEME members, was the one thing which is very different about the two Corps.

If you can imagine waking up in the dark of the morning, rolling over in your sleeping bag, lighting the pressure lamp and snuggling down for another 10 minutes while the tent warms up. You then can get up and get dressed ready for another day of repairs to snowmobiles, trucks, etc., in temperatures that may, if you are lucky, go up to 20° below zero.

I spent 9 years in a Field Workshop where this was expected as part of winter exercises. These occurred once or twice a winter and varied from 4 - 8 weeks ranging over hundreds of miles of country. Our working conditions were difficult to say the least, but we did have a sort of heated workshop area, this took the form of a quonset type canvas covered frame which had a large petrol fired heater which brought the temperature up to the zero point or a little above. Too hot and the snow started to melt and then you had a wet floor, not good when the outside temperature was so low. Of course, a lot of work was done outside as only so many vehicles could fit in this covered area.

During the last few years, I ran the Recovery Section. As we were the only heavy recovery unit for hundreds of miles, we were quite frequently called on to assist with civilian as well as the military vehicles that got into trouble with snow banks and ice on the roads. Oh!, and one spotter aircraft that thought

he didn't know about the ditch on the other side. Our main recovery vehicles of the time were American Wreckers called M62. This was a fully hydraulic system which could lift up to 14-tons, also a D8 Cat with a 75-ton winch and blade, complete with transporter and the pride of the fleet, the 'Mighty Mouse'. This was an M26A1 tank recovery unit which comprised of a tractor unit capable of seating a 4-man recovery crew and a 4-man tank crew in the cabin. It was chain driven to tandem duels, sported 2 x 50 ton and 1 x 100-ton winches on the back, and a 50-ton winch on the front. The trailer was the original folding goose neck trailer which was developed in the Army Proving Grounds, Ottawa, for the fast recovery of tanks up to 60-ton. The 'Mighty Mouse', in full flight would do 30 MPH up hill and down empty or loaded with 60-tons of tank, summer or winter.

The Army in its infinite wisdom, decided we need to do a winter survival course in order to function properly in a winter situation. The only problem with this logic was that we had been doing winter exercises for 3 years before this decision was made. Military wisdom is universal the world over.

Winter Survival Training was given at a place called Fort Churchill. This was an Army Proving Ground at Churchill, Manitoba, which is on the lower end of Hudsons Bay. The most amazing things go through this unit to find out if the Army can use them in the Arctic, and more importantly, can they survive in the Arctic.

We spent 2 days in Churchill learning all the basics and being assigned to our squads, each squad consisted of 6 men. This is a Tent Group, and in the Arctic it is also a Fighting Group. the group is totally self-contained in that you have a large toboggan which carries all the gear such as a tent, radio, food, tools fuel, etc. needed for your survival. Each member also carries a back pack, personal weapon as well as snow shoes, although for the most part, these weren't

and ripply in many places, and the ripples were just far enough apart that it made Snowshoes dangerous to wear and a few to break. We did carry spares just for that reason.

THE TENT! -- This tent is similar to the old Bell Tent in that it is 18-ft in diameter and 12-ft in height. The outer layer is of a heavy nylon, which is close woven to keep out the wind. The inner tent is of a fine close woven light weight nylon and which when assembled, forms an air gap between the two tents, thus providing some insulation from the elements. This is very effective and a small pressure lamp and 6 bodies makes the tent very warm. When a site is chosen for the tent, you cut a circle in the snow 20-ft in diameter and 3-ft deep. You keep the snow you have cut out in blocks and build a wall around this hole so you in effect have a 6-ft wall around your tent, except the entry of course, which is always down wind.

The Tundra is an area in and around the Arctic Circle which is relatively flat and featureless with almost no vegetation that grows over 3-ft high and certainly doesn't show above the snow. An interesting point, when snow freezes, the temperature 6 inches below the top of the snow is just below zero regardless of the ambient temperature above the snow. This is the way the vegetation survives and the reason to bury the tent into the snow, its warmer.

We were loaded into Snowmobiles, and taken out into this Tundra about 50 miles and dropped off. We were told we had 7 days rations so we had 7 days to find our way back or go hungry. Now, 50 miles in 7 days doesn't sound like much, does it? **WRONG!** Remember you are carrying and pulling all your gear which is considerable. It was a very difficult trip in that you are lucky to get 10 miles on a good day, and less if anything happens, such as a wind chill of 100° below or more. Our 4th Day was 100° by 11 o'clock and into shelter again. The 5th day, was past the 100° all day and in the 90's on the 6th day. We did make it

I do suppose that you could take the above scenario and transpose it into the jungle or the desert, and where we had to survive the cold, here you have to survive the heat. I must say though, one good thing about the Arctic conditions, you do not have any flies or mozzies to worry about and you know where to get a cold drink.

I would like to point out that the RCEME does not exist as a separate Corps. In 1966, they ceased to be, and simply became part of the Armed Forces Canada, Land. In 1966 the Army, Navy and Air Force were amalgamated into one service and all Corps disappeared as separate entities. I was given to understand that the insignia for the repair type personnel, land, sea or air, was to be the RCEME insignia. I have started in motion steps to contact the Canadian legion, similar function to the RSL and through them to find if there is any RCEME Association similar to ours. More on that at a later date.

DICK DUNCAN, ex RCEME.



John BUCKLEY OBE.ED.
9th AUGUST 1996

The President and Management Committee of the RAEME Association (Vic) Inc. respectively inform members of the sudden passing of our esteemed Colleague.

We extend our sincerest sympathy to his wife Margaret and family.

*We cannot bring back the old days
When we were all together
But wonderful memories of you
Will always be in our hearts.*

THREE-POINTED STAR STAGES RECOVERY



Project Manager Maj Murray Nelson and Trials Officer WO 1 Pete Sandilands, ALTC, look over one of the prototype Medium Recovery Vehicles in Canberra.

The final piece of Army's medium-truck replacement puzzle fell into place earlier this month when Mercedes-Benz Australia delivered the first of 55 new Medium Recovery vehicles.

Delivery of two prototype MRVs completed the Unimog and Mack truck project, which began almost 20 years ago.

Project Manager Maj Murray Nelson said Army recovery mechanics for the first time had a wrecker that was purpose-designed for them.

"It was designed for us from the outset and a great deal of effort has gone into getting this vehicle right," Maj Nelson said.

"It combines one of the best 6WD high-mobility chassis in the world with state-of-the-art recovery equipment"

"For a medium vehicle, it has more flexibility than many other wreckers in that it can lift-tow. I believe this MRV is probably the best medium wrecker in the

recover the Army's fleet of Unimogs and 4WD & 6WD Land Rovers. It replaces the old F1 'twin boom' wrecker.

It is similar to the in-service Unimog 1700 but has a more powerful engine, a splitter gearbox, a driven third axle and larger tyres.

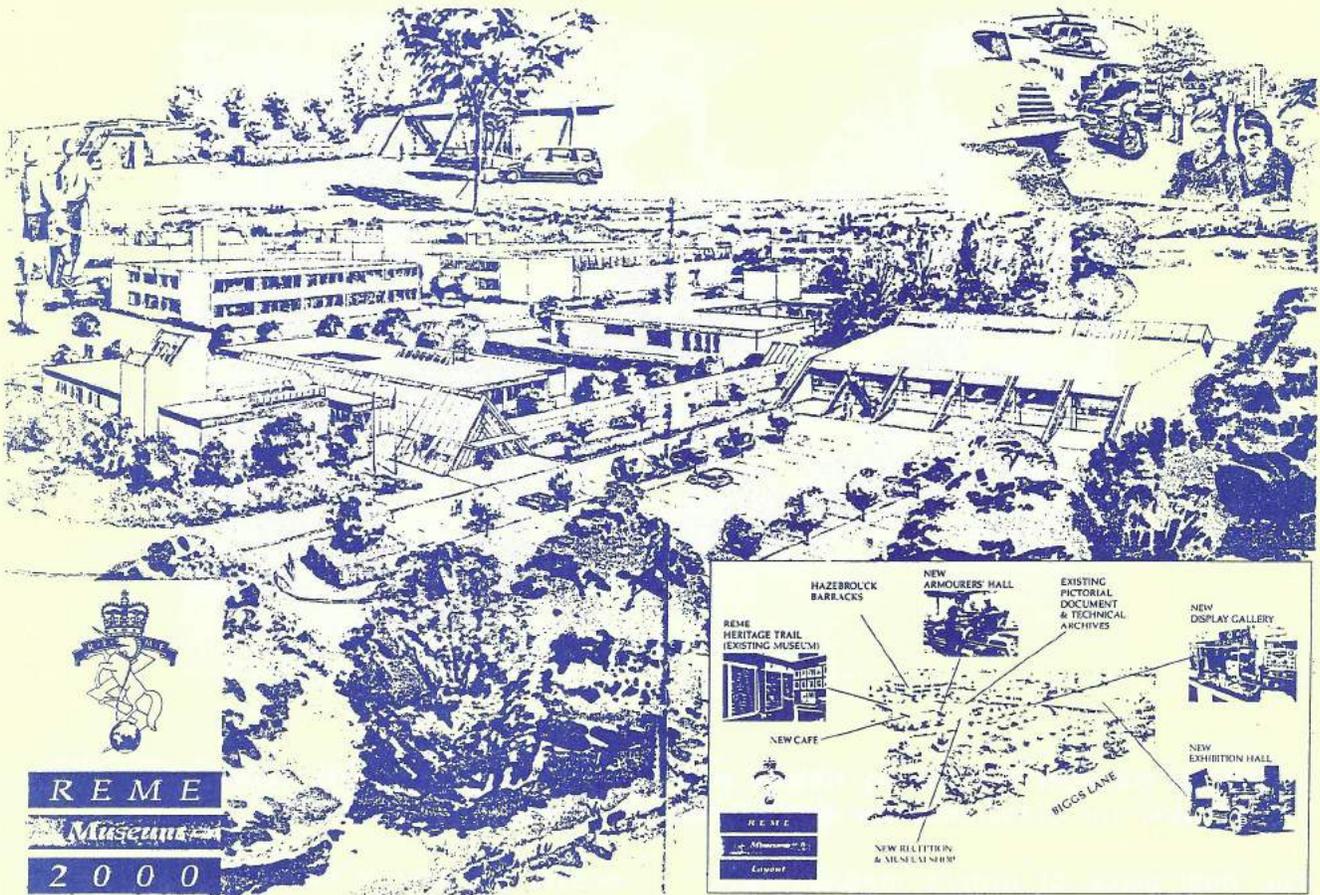
It also features a central tyre-inflation system, air conditioning and a radio-cassette player.

The hydraulic recovery equipment was designed by Brisbane company Evans Deakin Engineering and features twin winches mounted on an elevating boom, which provides a constant 8-tonne pull and sideways recovery.

Maj Nelson said the prototypes will undergo a three-month user and technical trial before the remaining 53 are produced.

Deliveries of the production vehicles are expected to begin in October 1997 and be completed by October 1998.

REME MUSEUM OF TECHNOLOGY APPEAL



Address: REME Museum Isaac Newton Road Arborfield, BERKSHIRE RG2 9 NJ.
ENGLAND

THE HISTORY . . . Since its formation in 1942, the Corps of Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers has gathered a comprehensive collect of vehicles, equipment, documentation & memorabilia.

The Corps' intimate knowledge of military technical development, together with this collection, offers a unique opportunity to explain and illustrate the huge advances in military technology and sciences made this century.

The small REME Museum at Arborfield displays the proud history of the Corps and its continuing role of "keeping the punch in the Army's fist", both at war and in peace. This is achieved in the limited space by the careful use of dioramas, tableaux and a few selected exhibits. The Museum collection is attracting a growing public interest despite the lack of advertising at present.

Unfortunately, major sections of the historic equipment are not on display. The unique military vehicles and electronic collections are held inside barracks, at the School of Electrical & Mechanical Engineering and the School of Electronic & Aeronautical Engineering respectively: the Bordon small-arms collections, with items spanning several centuries, is now in store; the helicopter repair display has moved from Middle Wallop, with aeronautical engineering training, to Arborfield. None of these collections is available for public inspection except by prior arrangement, yet they all form part of the REME Museum.

THE POTENTIAL . . . A feasibility study by museum experts has demonstrated the viability of expanding the existing REME Museum, and combining these historic equipment collections within one museum.

in an exciting interactive and educational scenario. Detailed plans have been drawn up and approved by the Corps Trustees. We now need to raise some 1.5 million pounds to fund this project and hope that everyone associated with REME will take pride in supporting this unique opportunity.

Footnote - Members of RAEME, particularly those who have had previous service with our sister Corps in the United Kingdom, may be interested in this brief spiel on the development of the REME Museum. Present planning is for construction work to start in 1997 with the opening in mid 1999, so those angling for Exercise Long Look or thinking of visiting long lost rels might consider calling in. Paying for it all is obviously up to the Poms but ex REME members who have made their fortune (or some of it) in Australia would doubtless be welcome to contribute if interested. Contributions made payable to the 'REME Museum Appeal' can be forwarded to the REME Museum Appeal Office at the above address. Alternatively, Lt Col Phil Gray, UK Exchange Officer at Maintenance Engineering Agency, PO Box 4955WW, Melbourne, VIC 3001, PH: (03) 9282 7401 will gratefully receive any Dollar cheques made out to himself and convert them into Sterling cheques from his own account.

Lt Col PHIL GRAY, UK Exchange Officer

CORPS ACKNOWLEDGES HONORARY COLONELS

The 10 Aug '96 will mark the relinquishment of the honorary appointments of Brig C. Ermert, Representative Colonel Commandant (Aug '94 - Aug '96) and Colonel Commandant Southern and Tasmanian Region (Jan '91 - Aug '96), and Brig J. Faulks, AM Colonel Commandant Eastern Region (Aug '94 - Aug '96).

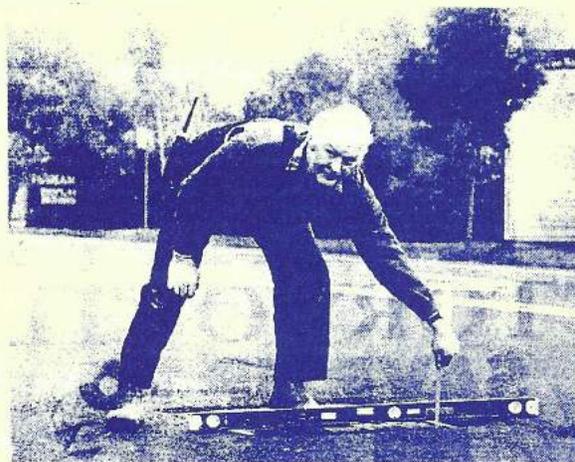
Members of the Corps join with the Director in acknowledging the valuable contribution made by both Brig Ermert and Brig Faulks over many years as serving members during which time both

held Director General appointments, and after retirement as Honorary Colonels serving the interests of soldiers. The enthusiasm and dedication with which they promoted the Corps' interests within their regions epitomises the *Esprit de Corps* that exist within the RAEME community, and for that we are very grateful. We acknowledge also the guidance and leadership displayed by Brig Ermert during his term as Representative Colonel Commandant and Chairman of the Corps Committee.

To both Brig Ermert and Brig Faulks we, the members of the Corps, express our gratitude and extend our best wishes for the future. We trust you will both maintain your strong links with the Corps.

Colonel BRUCE AMOR, Corps Director

A MEMBER'S COMMUNITY AWARENESS



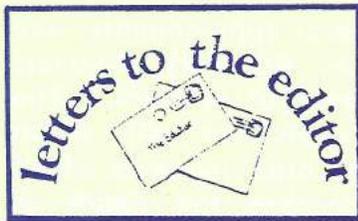
Too deep: Peter Cartledge says this manhole cover is too far below the road surface. Picture: JIM STIRLING 650J3395

A Glen Waverley resident said nine manhole covers on High Street Rd, outside Wesley College's Glen Waverley Campus were "dangerous" despite a recent road resurfacing.

Peter Cartledge, a 54-year old Plumber, said "the covers had caused problems during and after the resurfacing".

"The covers were raised to quite a dangerous level prior to the road resurfacing," Mr. Cartledge said, "some were altered more than once but none of them are flush with the new surface level."

MOVING REPORTER



From: Colonel B. Amor



DEME-A

Directorate of Electrical and
Mechanical Engineers - Army
Military Post Office
BANDIANA VIC 3694

16 September 1996

Mr B. Williams

President

RAEME Association (Victoria) Inc

Dear Bruce,

Thank you for a most enjoyable evening on 14 September 1996. Both Diane and I were pleased to meet you and the members of your Association and I would be grateful if you could pass on to your organising committee a well done for the function

Atte et Marie

Bruce Amor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR, Continued

379 Princes Highway,
NOBLE PARK. VIC. 3174.

The Secretary,
RAEME Association

I sincerely hope that this letter reaches you, either by default or by address I have listed for you.

Yes, I know it has been a long time, and I hope that we may be able to correct this in the near future.

In recent conversation with a few other members I have been in touch with, it was suggested to contact as many former members of 15 Fd Regt RAA. LAD with a view to arranging a 'Get-Together' somewhere.

This is to also include members of 2/15th Fd Regt RAA (Technical Support Troop) which was formed by the amalgamation of 15th Fd Regt at Dandenong and 2nd Fd Regt at Batman Ave, Melbourne.

It is not the intention to be selective about this proposed activity, but an effort to get in contact with as many former members as possible.

We intend to contact other RAEME units and association to ask for their assistance in contacting as many persons as possible who may have served in these units at some time.

As soon as we are able to put together a possible venue and dates, it is intended to send an open invitation to other RAEME groups who may wish to attend.

I am certain that there will be alot of tales to tell (some may even be true?), as well as renewing old friendships that only people who have served in uniform can know, and understand.

Please get in touch with as many former members that you may know of, and reply with any details that you may have

Remember, that the only way that this will work, is that YOU do something to make it happen.

A progress letter will be sent to you as more information is known, venues discussed, and I sincerely hope, more members contacted.

Anyone wishing to respond, is more than welcome to contact me at their convenience at the above address, of Telephone: (03) 9546 2426.

Kindest regards,

BARRY IRONS

A moth eaten rag
On a worm eaten pole
It does not seem likely
To stir a man's soul
Tis the deeds that were done
Neath the month eaten rag
When the pole was a staff
And the rag was a flag

LATE NEWS.

HAROLD CHAMBERLAIN - Has been admitted to Dandenong Valley Hospital with Cancer and is undergoing treatment. Update will be given as it comes to hand.
REG COX, WELFARE OFFICER

Phone: (03) 802 6406

Mobile: 018037740

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" OUR FLAG "

Our flag bears the stars that blaze at night,
 In our southern sky of blue,
 And the little old flag in the corner,
 That's part of our heritage too.
 It's for the English, the Scots and the Irish,
 Who were sent to the ends of the earth,
 The rogues and schemers, the doers and dreamers,
 Who gave modern Australia birth.
 And you, who are shouting to change it
 You don't seem to understand,
 It's the flag of our law and our language
 Not the flag of our far away land.

There are plenty of people who'll tell you,
 How when Europe was plunged into night,
 That little old flag in the corner,
 Was their symbol of freedom and light.
 It doesn't mean we owe allegiance,
 To a forgotten imperial dream,
 We've the stars to show where we're going,
 And the flag to show where we've been.

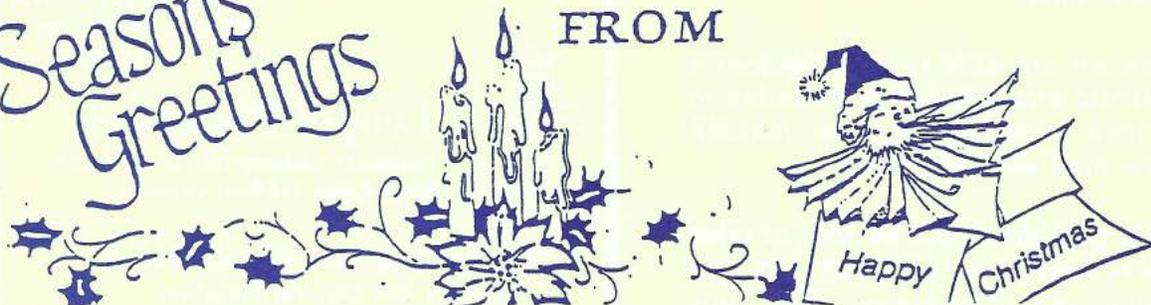
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Seasons
 Greetings

FROM



From your Management Committee members, we wish you all a very happy, prosperous Christmas, safe holidays, and a bright forthcoming New year full of happiness and good health to each of you for 1997.

AEME/RAEME ASSOCIATION (VICTORIA) INCORPORATED



ANNUAL DANCE

BOOKING SLIP



To:-

PETER CARTLEDGE
8 NEERA COURT,
GLEN WAVERLEY VIC. 3150.

I, Phone No: ()
(Please Print Name in Full)

***WILL/*WILL NOT BE ATTENDING THE FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS ON SATURDAY 23rd
NOVEMBER 1996**

*** ALBERT PARK DEDICATION (no charge)**

*** OAKLEIGH BARRACK MEMORIAL GARDEN DEDICATION (no charge)**

*** SPIT ROAST & ANNUAL DANCE (charge \$25.00 PER PERSON)**

I WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY GUESTS @ \$25.00

Signature: Date: .../.../1996

ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND MY CHEQUE (MADE PAYABLE TO THE RAEME ASSOCIATION)

FOR \$ BEING THE TOTAL AMOUNT THANK YOU.

**NOTE: TRANSPORT: - BUSES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TRANSPORT FROM
OAKLEIGH BARRACKS TO ALBERT PARK AND RETURN.**

DO YOU WISH TO TRAVEL BY BUS? *YES/*NO

DRESS FOR DANCE: NEAT CASUAL.

TIMINGS: DINNER 5.30 pm for 6.00 pm.

DANCE: 7.30 pm - 11.30 pm.

*** Please delete as applicable**

ANNUAL DANCE

PROGRAM



7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

8:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

9:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.

10:00 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

11:00 P.M. - 12:00 P.M.

12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.

1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

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**DEDICATION OF A MEMORIAL PLAQUE
ALBERT PARK BARRACKS - SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER 1996
(ref MELWAYS Map 58-A-7)**

This plaque commemorates the occupation of Albert Park Barracks in this park by the Australian Army Branch of the Master General of the Ordnance together with other elements of the Army from 1942 until 1975



Erected by the Victorian Associations of the Royal Australian Army Ordnance Corps and the Corps of Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers together with their civilian comrades

Dear Member,

As you maybe aware the dedication of the above plaque WAS to have taken place on the Saturday but is now to be on SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER 1996 to be SEATED by 1400 Hrs SHARP!

If you wish you may park at Oakleigh Barracks and travel to Albert Park by bus which will be provided if we have enough numbers to make it worthwhile.

Would those members who have already replied to this event please confirm their attendance by 'phone as to their intentions with the change of date, call either Leonie or myself or leave a message on our answering machine (03) 9802 6406 all hours.

The plaque will be unveiled by Major General Kingston in the company of an armed guard and at the conclusion afternoon tea will be served in the Grand Prix pavilion and return to Oakleigh by approx. 1600 Hrs.

The bus WILL LEAVE OAKLEIGH AT 1315 Hrs so those who wish to use the bus please be at Oakleigh by 1300 Hrs.

A ceremony incorporation of a RAAOC Corps badge within the memorial garden Oakleigh Barracks will be observed at 1745 Hrs at the garden prior to our RAEME Dinner Dance starting at 1800 Hrs Saturday 23rd November 1996 **ALL WELCOME.**

Peter Cartledge.

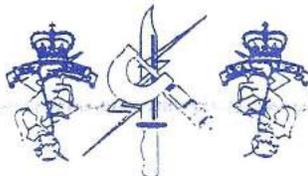
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