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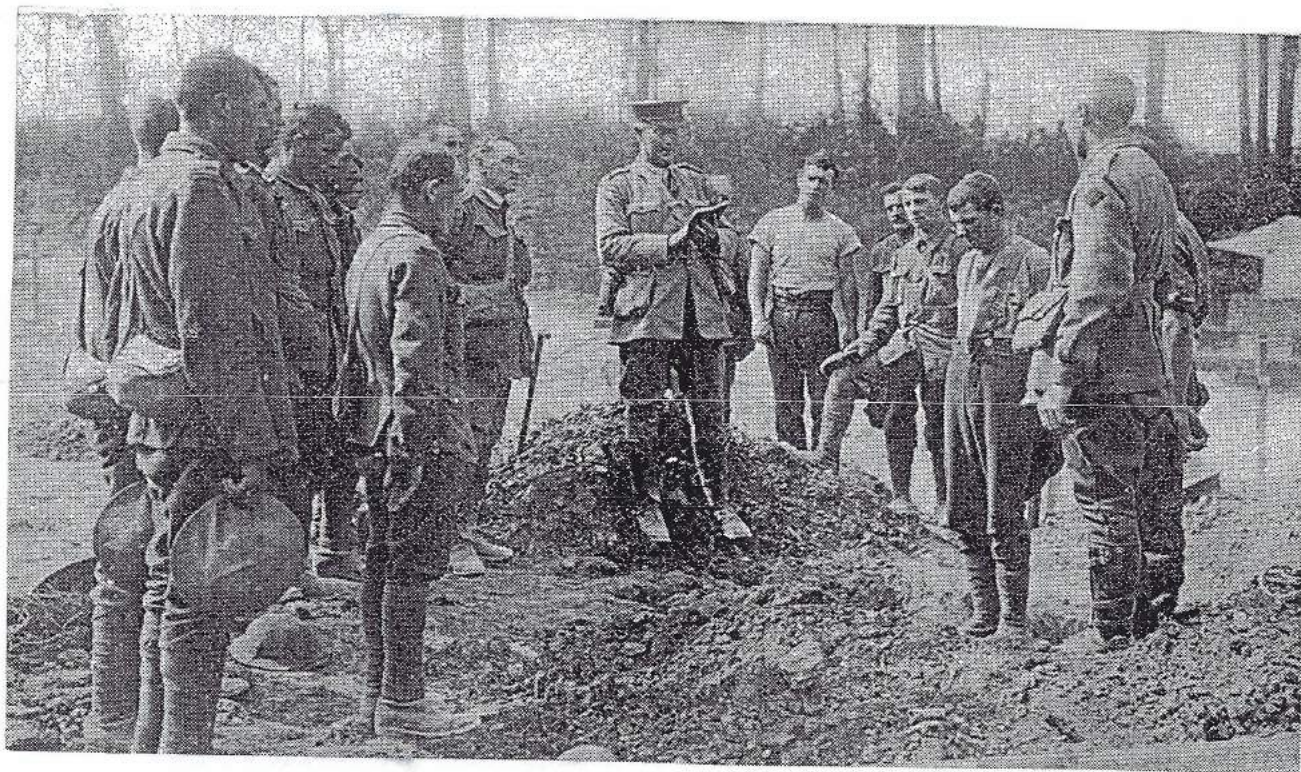
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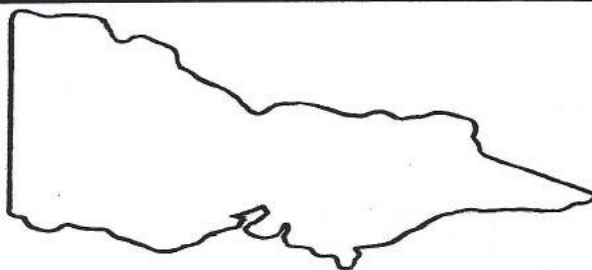
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PRESIDENT's CORNER

10th A.G.M. August 27th - was our AGM which saw both Aranka and Jack stand down from Office, although I am most thankful that they will both stay on to school our new Office Bearers. With GST coming in, it has been rather hectic for both Aranka and Roma Cox.

MEMBERSHIP FEES INCREASE - As I reported in our last 'Flash' we had reached the break even point in our finances and that we needed to raise all Fees by \$5.00 respectively. This was passed unanimously by those present at the 10th A.G.M. Thank you for the 'Vote of Confidence'.

RAEME CORPS SHOP ITEMS - The A.G.M. meeting also endorsed your Committee's recommendation to venture into selling RAEME Corps Shop items. The meeting looked at the expansion of our 'Corps Shop items', which has involved a loan from our Patriotic Fund which we need to repay from our sales. There has been quite an amount of interest from within the Corps and Interstate Associations for these items we are about to put up for sale (a flyer illustrating these items is included with this edition of The Flash). Please let Max Moore ☎(03) 9802 9128 know of your intended purchases!

NOMINATIONS FOR 'INCOMING COMMITTEE YEAR 2000 to 2001 - At our A.G.M. I called for nominations to your Committee, and our old friend Robert (Bob) Hunter was appointed to the Committee. After the A.G.M. there was the usual short meeting of the 'Incoming' Committee at which Gus Allen was again put up as Vice

President, myself as President and Ron as Secretary. Later after some talking, Roma Cox was appointed as Treasurer. Thank you Roma, Ron and Bob. I feel we have a good group of people to once again look after your Association.

'CRAFTSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD' AND 58TH RAEME CORPS BIRTHDAY DINNER -

On Friday 1st December, 2000, with our assistance, Colonel Jack Wilson Honorary Colonel Commandant Southern/Tasmanian /Central Regions will present the 'Craftsman of the Year Award' at a Dinner to be held at the East Malvern R.S.L. Stanley Grose Drive, East Malvern at 7pm for 7.30pm. May I commend this Dinner to you all (a flier is enclosed). For the first time this Dinner is for all past and present members of the Corps and their guests and it is for ALL RANKS. Please mark this in your diary as a 'Must Attend'. Call up some of your old mates to join Jack at his Dinner.

PETER CARTLEDGE, PRESIDENT



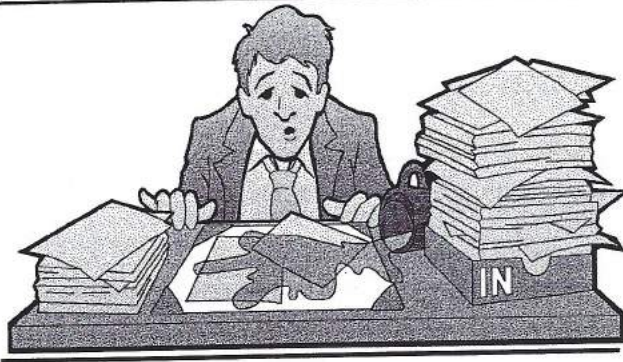
BREAKDOWN 3A INFORMATION -

My name is Terry Oakley, I am a member of The Victorian Military Vehicle Corps. In the near future I will commence the Restoration of a 1942 Marmon Harrington Breakdown 3A. Due to the lack of information re these vehicles, I am seeking from any member of The RAEME Association (who operated these vehicles) photo's, which units operated them, whereabouts, and any other information that members have would be very appreciated. I will gladly meet the costs of copying photo's etc. I can be contacted at:

P.O. Box 69 CHILTERN VIC 3683,

☎(03) 57 262 775 or

E-Mail: marmonh@optusnet.com.au



THE SECRETARY'S CORNER

OH, MY ACHING BACK - It has only been a short two months since I took on the position of Secretary, but in that time I think Jack has managed to unload everything out of his office. . . except the kitchen sink.

RAEME CORPS SHOP - The most interesting aspect to date is the formation of a Sub-Committee of which I am a member, to deal with the running of the Corps Shop.

Trying to track down the items with value for money is quite time consuming. The need for the Corps will no longer exist in its own right in the near future, therefore we need to take action NOW! To make sure our Badge and Title is put in every available place as a reminder that the ROYAL CORPS OF AUSTRALIAN ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS, will never die.

GENERAL SALES TAX - the Committee decided to register for GST reporting, because of the impending trade with the Corps Shop, but this has proved to be somewhat of a headache (the pain maybe a little lower) for our new Treasurer Roma Cox and President Peter Cartledge.

With the help of an ATO Adviser and Aranka there is hope that we may get our Business Activity Statement done if they can encrypt the Tax Office documents.

ASSOCIATION SURVIVAL - As mentioned in previous Newsletters, it is YOU, the members, that this Association is here for and without your support in all activities,

we could suffer the same fate as our Corps.

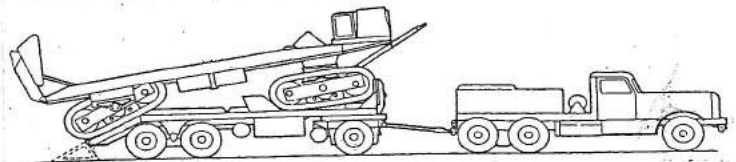
Get behind us and show us the *Espirit de Corps* that has held us together for almost 60 years.

FUNERAL KIT - The attention of all members and their N.O.K. are advised that the RAEME Association (Vic) Inc. has now introduced a Funeral Kit, consisting of a Slouch Hat (complete with Rising Sun, RAEME Hat Badges and Pugaree) an Australian National Flag and a .303 Lee Enfield Bayonet (courtesy of the late Reg Jenkins Dec).

These items could be placed upon the casket of the Deceased member (if it was his last request), or upon the request of the Deceased Member's N.O.K. This Kit can be made available at the Funeral Service of the Deceased Member by contacting the Association's Welfare Officer.

Due to time and distance restraints it may be difficult to provide the Funeral Kit to some Rural Areas. However, every effort will be made, given enough time.

RON CLIFFORD, SECRETARY



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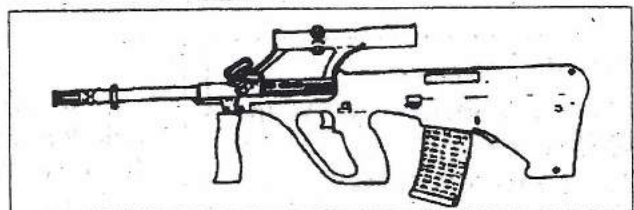
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MEMBERSHIP SUB-COMMITTEE

A cordial welcome is extended to our five new members: Domenic Pontekandolfo (M'Ship No. 045) of Melton, Colin Bates (M'Ship No. 025) of Lochsport, Max Edbrooke (M'Ship No. 034) of Langwarrin, Florence Klein (Assoc M'Ship No. A133/3) of Wheelers Hill and Jenny Burley (Assoc M'Ship No. A323/1) of Anglesea.

We look forward to the pleasure of you and your partner at our future social functions.

JACK WESTERNHAGEN, CONVENOR



WELFARE & BETTERMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

JOHN 'DARKIE' EDWARDS (Dec) – on 28.9.00, I received a call to inform me that 'Darkie' had been hospitalised at Como Private Hospital. Unfortunately, on my arrival at the hospital I was informed that he had passed away a half hour before I got there. I spoke to his daughters and two son who were present and passed on our condolences to the families.

On 3.10.00 at Mordialloc, a huge gathering of family, friends, comrades who had served with 'Darkie' in WW II and members of our Association gathered at his Funeral Service at Mordialloc. John Lee delivered a moving Eulogy to "Darkie" on behalf of members of his CMF days at Powlett and Chapel Street days and from the members of our Association.

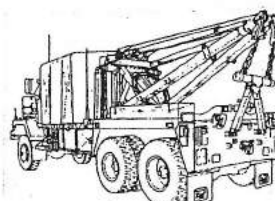
Geoff MAGGS – On 3.10.00, I rang Geoff's wife Nancy, who told me that he had suffered 2 bad Angina attacks since coming out of Cabrini Hospital just recently. Geoff was admitted, this time, to Monash Medical Centre where he underwent a Brain Scan which reported 'All Clear'. As Geoff still suffered from severe shaking they thought he might have Parkinson's Disease, but further EEG and more Scans were conducted to find out the possible cause.

On 16.10.00, I had a phone call from Geoff, now back at home, to say he was very appreciative of my phone calls to him.

CROSBY WHEELER (Dec) – On 6.10.00, sadly we bid farewell to Crosbie, one of our members always amongst the familiar faces at ANZAC Eve Reunions. Crosbie had been admitted to hospital for a serious operation and passed away soon after. The Association was represented at the Funeral Service. Our deepest condolences were extended to his wife Dulcie and their two sons.

MAL DRECHSLER – (An apology from the Editor who incorrectly report in the Aug 'Flash' that Mal had been admitted to the Warrigal Hospital, when it should have read Weringal Hospital).

Mal had collapsed at home and went straight back to the Waringal Hospital. Mal had been overdoing his rehabilitation exercises. He sends his regards to all.



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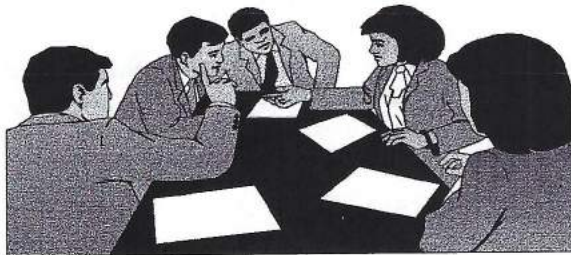
KEN KERMONDE (LM) – On 19.9.00, I rang Ken who has 75% blockages in his Respiratory System following a minor stroke, he is to have more ongoing tests.

ALICE KERMONDE – Ken's wife, is quite mobile on her walking frame and is getting better.

PHIL COOK – On 21.7.00, Phil was operated on for 3 By-Pass arteries. His Diabetes was hampering his surgery as bleeding from the back of his eyes was of great concern.

On 16.8.00, Phil had more x-rays for his back pain, suspected cracked ribs.

REG COX, WELFARE OFFICER



SOCIAL SUB-COMMITTEE

10th AGM B.B.Q. LUNCH – After our 10th AGM this year, we had our usual B.B.Q. Lunch which was quiet successful. A big 'Thank You' to all of our helpers, those people who see a job to be done and quietly get about it without any pomp and ceremony. It is these people who make our functions go so smoothly.

PROGRAM OF EVENTS 2000-2001 – Enclosed with this edition of the 'Flash' is a Program of Events for the next 12 months. Please keep these dates in mind, and in your Diary, when planning your next year's activities.

58th RAEME CORPS DINNER – Friday 1st December 00, we are assisting Colonel Jack Wilson with an 'ALL RANKS DINNER' at the East Malvern RSL, and a 'Thank You' to 4 BASB for offering us transport to and from Broadmeadows for this function.

Lt. Colonel HAWSON & WO 1 GILBERT'S FAREWELL DINNER – On the 9.12.00, several of your Committee have been invited to represent our membership at a Farewell Dinner to the CO and RSM of HQ 4 BASB at Broadmeadows. They have both been a great help to our Association during their postings.

WIDOWS AND LIFE MEMBERS' LUNCHEON – On Sunday 18th MARCH 2001, ... (not the long weekend as promised) ... is our Annual Luncheon to honour our Widows and Life Members. Please keep this date free and make the effort to attend . . . Let's make the attendance 100 next year!

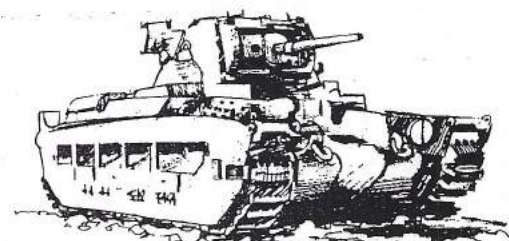
REME/RAEME ASSOCIATIONS REUNION -

A little warning, REME (S.A.) Branch and our Association is to have a 'Get-Together' at Mt. Gambier on Melbourne Cup Weekend (SAT 3rd, SUN 4th, MON 5th and Tues 6th November 2001) staying at the Presidential Hotel/Motel.

Could we please have some indication of numbers ASAP, (Phone Leonie or myself ☎(03) 9802 6406) as a Coach will be hired if the numbers permit and the Motel would like numbers also in advance. The cost: (incl. the Coach, cooked Breakfast and a 3 Course Dinner) would be around \$260.00 per person.

For those people who have not met 'The Poms', they are a great group of people as those of us who have already known them will all agree. (They already have a 48-Seater Coach full). So RAEME members and friends, please start saving and put your name down now!

PETER CARTLEDGE, CONVENOR



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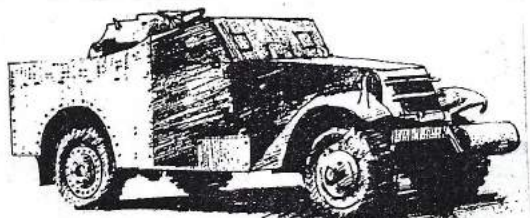
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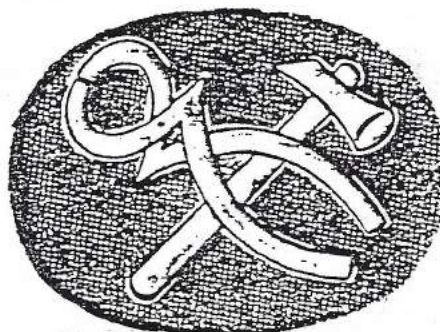
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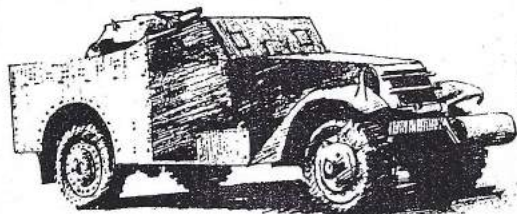
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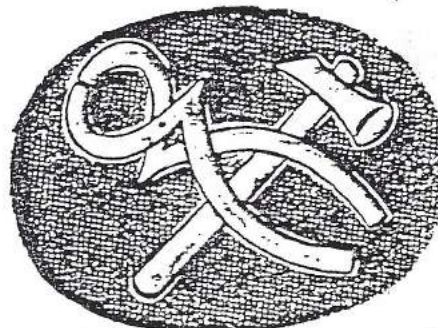
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community which was presented by the
then Comd 1 Bde, Brig J.A.Sanderson.

During Brian's outstanding career, he was
awarded the Vietnam Medal, Defence Force
Service Medal, GOC Field Force Command
Commendation and a CO's Commendation
from RAEME Trg Centre.

Since joining The RAEME Assoc (Vic) Inc.
Brian has been our Provincial
Representative for Wodonga/Albury Areas.

'Tingers' amiable and gentlemanly manner,
coupled with his professional dedication,
have both granted him respect and
endeared him to all with whom he has
served.

Well Done, 'Tingers'

BUNA GOES TO BANDIANA

A parade through the streets of Albury
marked the recent change of address of 'A'
Sqn 4/19 PWLH Regt local depot from
Albury to North Bandiana.

Eleven APCs and 10 Support Vehicles
paraded along Dean Street and halted at a
Saluting Dais in the City Centre.

The Squadron thank Albury Mayor Cr. Les
Langford and the people of that City for
their support of the regiment during their
years at the former facilities.

Wodonga Mayor Cr. Graham Crapp, was
invited to lead the parade to the new
facilities at the former Armament Wing in
North Bandiana.

37 Regional Cadet Unit provided a Guard
of Honour at the Company's new home,
while Naval Cadets from Trg Ship Albury
held the ribbon for the official opening.

The Victoria Street Trg Depot in Albury was
first used by the NSW Mounted Police to
house policemen and stable their horses at
the turn of the century.

The Army purchased the property in 1915,
after which a succession of CMF and
Reserve Units used the depot until the 8/13
Vic Mtd Rifles (APC) Regt took up
residence after WW 2.

The new facilities at Bandiana will enable
part-time Armoured soldiers in Victoria to
tap into the Training and Support facilities
of the ALTC. It will also enhance the
delivery of both Corps and All-Corps
Training. EDITOR.



The President Committee and members
regret the passing of our special friends
and colleagues:

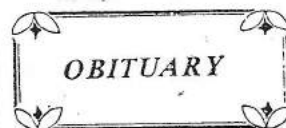
VX2137/3103358 John 'Darkie'
EDWARDS - 28 sept 2000.

VX 93026 Crosbie WHEELER
- 6 OCT 2000.

VX 195302 John STEPHENS
- 30 OCT 2000

312596 Leonard STEPHENS
(106/102 Fd Wksps SVN 1970/71)
- 1 NOV 2000.

Deepest sympathy to the families
of the above Deceased Members.



Elsie SCOTT, Widow of John Dec. past
Secretary AEME Association (Vic) Inc.

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



LAUNCHER READY FOR PRODUCTION

(WO 2 Tony Minniti, Spt Comd Land Weapons Systems, displays the new 40mm M203PI barrel-mounted Grenade Launcher. The system comprises the 40mm M203 product improved Grenade Launcher, Quadrant reflex sight and an interbar mounting system.)

Production of the ADFs' new Grenade Launcher System for the Steyr is set to begin following the recent signing of a contract with ADI.

The \$10.1 million contract to supply 3,167 F88 Grenade Launcher Systems will see the weapons in service starting in 2001.

It will be issued on the basis of two per Infantry Section and will enable soldiers to engage targets faster and more accurately than with existing Launchers with the full range of 40mm service ammunition including smoke and illumination rounds.

DG Equipment Management Brig Wayne Jackson said the procurement demonstrated the commitment of the ADF to the maintenance of combat capability using the most modern technology available.

"It is also an example of a successful partnership arrangement between the Dept of Defence and Australian industry.

The System comprises of the 40mm M203 Product Improved (PI) Grenade Launcher, manufactured by RIM Equipment of Florida, a Knight's Armament Quadrant Reflex Sight and an Interbar mounting system, manufactured by ADI to enable the Grenade Launcher to be barrel-mounted to the F88 Steyr.

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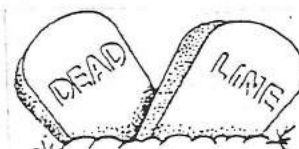
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Material for the next Issue of 'The Flash' must reach the Editor not later than:

12th MARCH 2001

THE ORIGINS AND MEANINGS OF SOME CEREMONIAL BUGLE CALLS

Most bugle calls have been used in the Army for well over 100 years in their present form, and are in fact the successors of drum beats and bugle calls (or trumpet calls) which have been in existence for centuries. All Armies in the modern world at least, have used these instruments to convey orders and messages to their troops on and off the battlefield, and strangely, call for the same purpose from different countries have similar sounds and names.

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In today's army, the calls remain as purely functional in barrack areas or as ceremonial on special occasions. Because of their origins they are, for some occasions, calls which are sounded differently for different Corps.

Generally, except for Artillery and Armour, the Infantry bugle call is used for the appropriate occasion throughout the whole army. Artillery and Armoured (Cavalry) calls should be played on a trumpet.

REVEILLE (Pronounced Reevalley) – French origin means 'AWAKEN'. A barracks call and also used at Funerals and Remembrance ceremonies following the Silent Prayer. On this occasion, it signifies the awakening of the soul in the new life of the departed.

MESS CALLS – These are provided to signify Other Ranks, Sergeant's and Officer's Mess times. The Infantry call is well known 'COME TO THE COOK HOUSE DOOR' tune, and is used for Other Ranks Mess. There are also warning calls which precede these, and other routine calls, such as:-

PARADE CALLS SICK CALLS POSTAL CALLS... etc. however, today they are seldom used.

RETREAT – Played at sunset and originally meant what it says... all troops retire from the battlefield – fighting for the day is over. The Battle Standards were folded and put away – now signified by lowering the flag whilst the call is being sounded.

1ST POST (TATTOO) – Played 30 minutes before 2nd POST. This used to be a warning to Inn Keepers in garrison towns to 'turn their taps to' i.e. stop serving the troops – more or less 'Time Gentlemen, Please!' This is still played 30 minutes before 2nd (or LAST) POST, but has no great significance.

LAST POST (Originally 2nd POST) – This meant all Inns must close and soldiers return to their billets or barracks – in other words a curfew was imposed. It also

mounted it's Last Post, which meant that the town was now unguarded. Bright civilians also kept off the streets.

Today, this call is used also at the same ceremonies for REVEILLE.

It is the bugle call of mourning (most of you have heard the American name 'TAPS' which is their equivalent of the same call) and should precede the period of Silence or Silent Prayer. At funerals, it is played after the casket has been lowered into the grave, and signifies the end of the soldier's day (in other words, his life) or the fact that he has stood to his Past Post of duty.

LIGHTS OUT – The call is played 15 minutes after LAST POST – it means what it says.

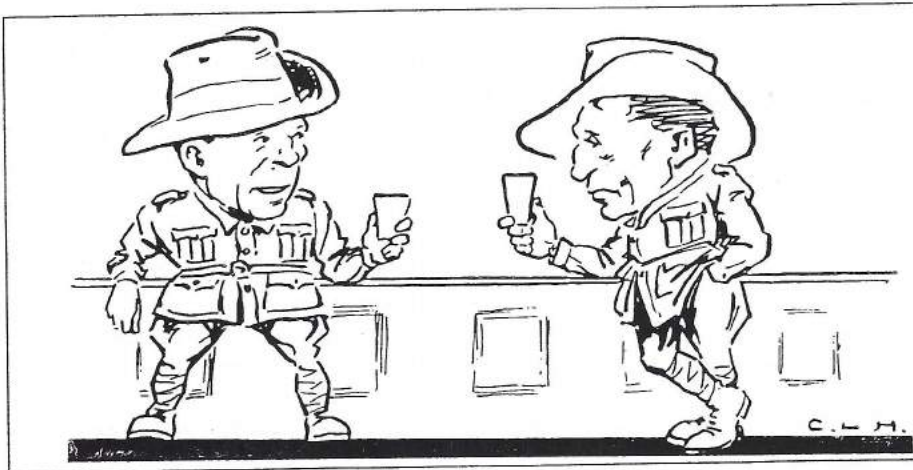
In addition to the above type of calls, up to World War 1, and even today in a more traditional rather than functional form, units and Corps, many detachments and functional groups etc., have and use, identify short special calls which preceded the normal call. Thereby, when many units were camped within earshot of each other, the men of each particular unit knew that a call did or did not refer to them.

On the battlefield (which was a fair sort of mess anyway) trumpeters and buglers would all be blowing CHARGE or WITHDRAW etc., and this identifying call often made or lost the day.

It may be interesting to note in the Cavalry (and our own Light Horse) that the animals became so well trained that they would line up at the stables when FEED and SADDLES was played, or carry out many other actions long before the men could do so.

A favourite bit of horseplay between trumpeters or mounted units are to hide and play the wrong call at the wrong time, thus causing chaos in the neighbouring units horse lines.

(ORIGIN UNKNOWN.... EDITOR)



A Toast To Grog!!

*The German Likes His Beer,
The Englishman likes his pot,
The Scotsman likes his whisky,
The Irishman likes his hot,
The Aussie has no national drink,
so - he drinks the bloody lot!*



From the Executive Committee

Peter, Gus, Roma & Ron

Christmas 2000

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TO BE HELD AT MAYGAR BARRACKS BROADMEADOWS.*

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*THE RAEME CORPS HONORARY COLONEL WILL BE
ATTENDING TO PRESENT AWARDS.*

B.A. MILLS
WO1
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COL COMMANDANT RAEME ALL RANKS CORPS DINNER

THE CORPS ALL RANKS DINNER TO BE HELD AT EAST MALVERN RSL
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FRIDAY DECEMBER 1st 2000 (THE CORPS 58th BIRTHDAY)

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ACCOMMODATION

Limited accommodation will be available at
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Transport from and to MAYGAR BARRACKS will be available,
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(Cut off here)

Name: I and my Partner / Guest.....
will / will not be attending the 2000 RAEME CORPS 58th BIRTHDAY All RANKS DINNER at EAST
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Please find enclosed my Cheque / Money order (made out to 2000 Victorian RAEME Dinner) for \$.....
Accommodation can be booked through Rod Gillett:----- I will be requiring Accommodation for No.....

Please forward this return to Guy Langford -- Rod Gillett -- WO2 Kevin Flanagan or Max Moore

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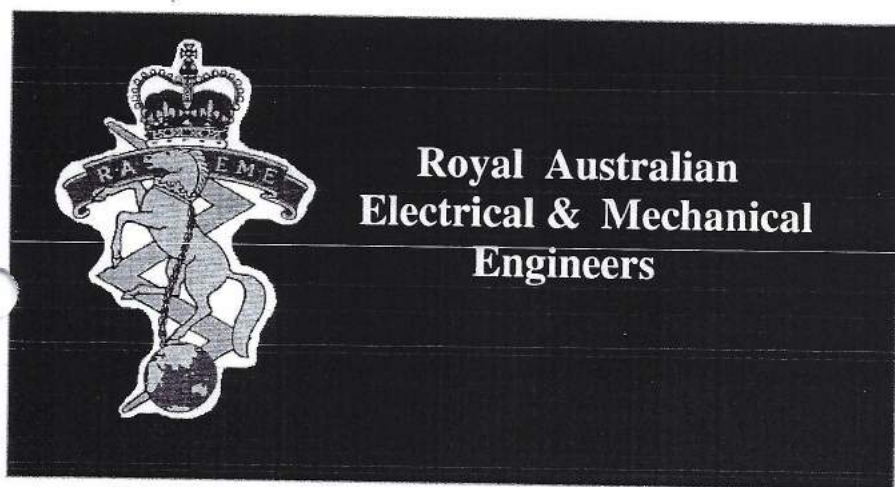
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RAEME ASSOCIATION (VICTORIA) Inc.

Program of events October 2000 to September 2001

October 10th Tuesday 7-30pm Selected Committee members meet Tax Man re GST
at Reg & Roma Cox's home

17th Tuesday 7-30pm Committee Meeting Oakleigh Barracks

21st 22nd Mil Skills Watsonia Barracks

November 11th Saturday 10-30 am Remembrance Day Oakleigh Barracks

21st Tuesday 7-30pm Committee Meeting Oakleigh Barracks

December 1st Friday 7pm for 7-30pm Corps Dinner East Malvern RSL

3rd Sunday 12 am Committee Christmas BBQ at Reg & Roma Cox's home

9th Saturday Three Reps. of RAEME Assoc. invited to Farewell of
Lt. Col. Hawson & RSM Gilbert

February 20th Tuesday 7-30pm Committee Meeting Oakleigh Barracks

March 6th Tuesday 7-30 Social Committee Meeting at Cartledge's home

SUNDAY 18th 12am for 12-30pm Dinner to honour our Widow's & Life Members
Oakleigh Barracks

April 10th Tuesday 7-30pm Social Committee Meeting at Cartledge's home

24th Tuesday 7-30 pm Annual Association Reunion Oakleigh Barracks Offices
& Sergeants Mess's

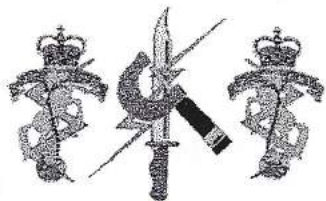
June 19th Tuesday 7-30pm Committee Meeting Oakleigh Barracks

August 14th Tuesday 7-30pm Social Committee Meeting at Cartledge's home

21st Tuesday 7-30pm Committee Meeting Oakleigh Barracks

26th Sunday 11am Annual General Meeting followed short Committee Meeting
to elect office bearers and BBQ lunch for all members

September 18th Tuesday 7-30pm Committee Meeting Oakleigh Barracks



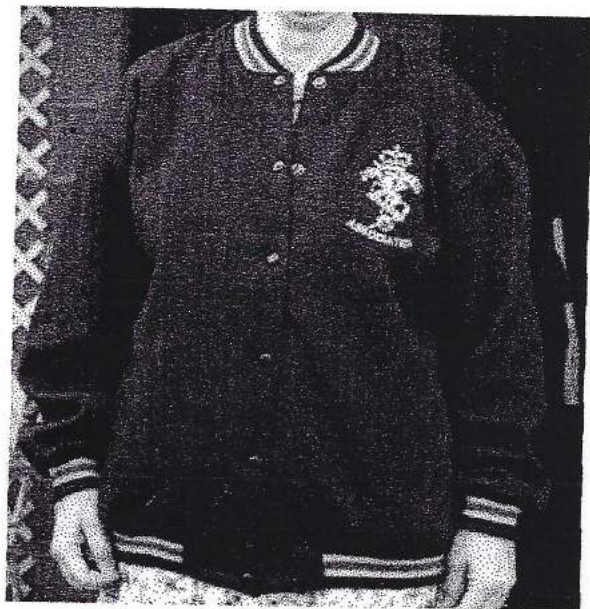
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THE RAEME ASSOCIATION (Victoria) INCORPORATED

Patron: Brigadier C. Ermert ARMIT Msc FIEAust CPEng

This Association now has its own Corps items for sale.

THESE ITEMS WOULD MAKE PERFECT GIFTS FOR A MEMBER OR THEIR PARTNER



1. Bomber Style Jacket

They are Royal Blue, with a 10cm.high embroidered RAEME Badge with ASSOCIATION scrolled below, this is located at the left breast pocket position. They have the Corps colours on the collar, cuffs, and band. They come with studs (reversed for females) or zip, SIZES from S to XL.

Note These Jackets or Shirts can be tailored to length if required e.g. Sleeves or Body Length.

Cost:- \$49.50 each, postage extra.

2. Polo Shirts
They come in Navy or White Both have Navy Collar with Corps stripes, Sizes same as Jackets.



Cost:- \$30.50 each, Postage Extra



3. Baseball Style Cap One Size fits all.

Cost:- \$15.00 Postage Extra

Note. The RAEME only Badge is slightly large than the others on the Cap only.

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RAEME Association (Victoria) Corps items continued.

4. Association Lapel Badge:-

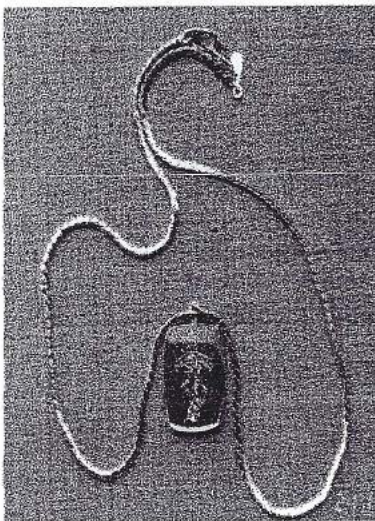


A RAEME badge with ASSOCIATION in a scroll at its base. It is 2cm. high with a pin and clutch on the back. (the badge, same as the old Corps shop stick pin.)

Cost:- \$11.00 each. Postage extra.

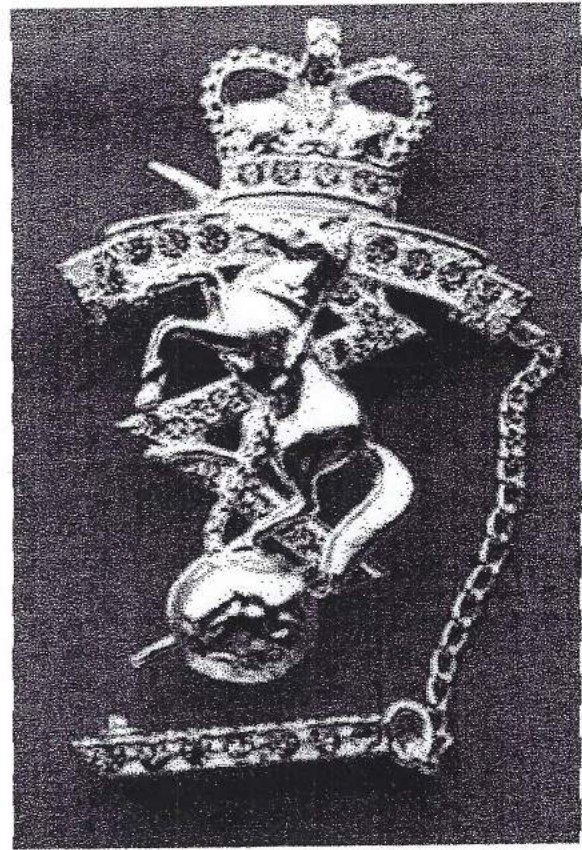
5. Ladies RAEME Pendant:-

This was designed for our ladies and one of our best selling items. The pendant comprises of full motif RAEME badge, (same motif as on the cuff links). The pendant is suspended on a 45cm. long gold plated snake chain with clasp. Longer chains can be obtained.



Cost:- \$19 .00 each, Postage extra

6. Ladies Dress Brooch:-



This was designed to replace the old Marquisette brooch. It's a winner. The brooch is the same size and design as the RAEME hat badge and is silver plated. The scroll has 8 gem stones in place of the RAEME letters, the lightning flash is studded with approx. 15 gem stones. It has a safety chain with a clasp studded with 7 gems.

Cost:- \$45.00 each, Postage extra

Note: All prices include GST

Note. All Logo's can be made any of 4 styles:-

1. RAEME Badge only.
- 2 RAEME Association
- 3 AEME/RAEME Association.
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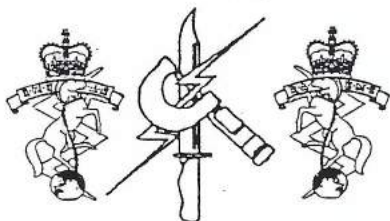
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