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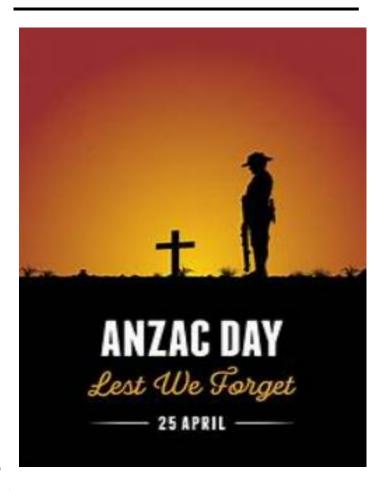
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2023 ARes "Soldiers of the Year" Award

(Association Award)

CFN Charles O'Grady, Recovery Mechanic, 107 Fd Wksp Coy, 9 CSSB

As reported in the March edition of the Newsletter, Committee Member Doug Pammenter presented the Association ARes SofY award to CFN Charles O'Grady at the 107 Fd Wksp Coy 2023 Corps Birthday Activity.

It was reported at that time that no pictures had been provided. That problem has now been rectified and we have several photos available.

(Photos supplied by Lou Leeuwrik – Thanks Ed.)



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TRANSPORT



L-R Doug Pammenter, CFN O'Grady and MAJ Michael Tamassy



Cutting the RAEME Corps Birthday Cake at 107 Fd Wksp Coy Birthday Activity

RAEME Association of SA DIARY DATES 2024

Activity/Function

- 2024 ANZAC Lunch (WAFC see page 5)
- 2024 ANZAC Day March (see page 4)
- Committee of Management Meeting
- "Harry the Horse" RAEME-SA Luncheon (location WAFC)
- Committee of Management Meeting
- 2024 Annual General Meeting (WAFC)
- 2024 Corps Birthday Family Function (WAFC)

Date

Saturday 20th April Thursday 25th April Wednesday 19th June Tuesday 3rd September Wednesday 18th September Saturday 30th November Saturday 30th November

Allied Military Association Functions

- REME-SA Birthday Meeting
- REME-SA Christmas Meeting
- Keswick Museum History Week Lunch (See Page 6) (see also www.amosa.org.au)

Sunday 29th September Sunday 24th November Wednesday 22nd May

VALE - CAPT Trevor Parrott

Passed away 19 March 2024

Radio Mech - 14th Intake Vietnam Veteran Subsequently served in ARes with 107 Fd Wksp

Trevor loved the idea of army from a very early age and always wanted to join. While at Nailsworth Boys Technical School he joined the Cadets and was fully committed even at that time.

At the age of 15, at the completion of his schooling, he and two of his mates (probably at his instigation) all applied for and were accepted into the Army Apprentice Scheme at Balcombe (Victoria). They all signed on for 9 years with Trevor undertaking Radio Mechanic training.

While his two mates served overseas in Malaya, Trevor spent 12 months in Vietnam working in support of 1 RAR. Trevor and his mates (Roger Burzacott and Bevan Quinn) all took their discharge in 1968 and went on to work in a variety of areas putting the skills gained during their military careers to good effect.

On discharge, Trevor transferred to the Inactive Reserve and in 1981 enlisted in the Army Reserve where his civilian qualifications allowed him to join under the Special Services Officer (SSO) system as a Captain. He served in several units and roles during his time in RAEME and he retired in 1992.

One of his favourite pastimes was opal mining and he and Bevan spent a lot of time at their "shacks" at Mintabie and then Coober Pedy. Trevor was your original "Mr Fixit" and loved recycling old treasures.

Trevor was always proud of his time in Vietnam and marched in the Vietnam Group every year on Anzac Day. When the RAEME Vietnam Group was introduced, he assisted Frank Owen and after Frank's passing, he took over as the Group Coordinator. He also joined the TPI volunteer group and worked as a Counsellor.





The 2024 ANZAC Commemorative March

Thursday 25th April - Commencing at 9:30am.

ANZAC March 2024 Group Details

GROUP 5

ARMY VETERANS - VIETNAM

Assemble in northern side of North Terrace (east from near Bonython Hall to the underground car park).

Australian Intelligence Corps (Vietnam)
Royal Australian Army Service Corps (Vietnam)
86th Transport Platoon (Vietnam)
Royal Australian Army Ordnance Corps (Vietnam)

Royal Australian Army Ordnance Corps (Vietnam) Pipes and Drums of the Royal Caledonian Society of South Australia

1st Australian Field Hospital 2nd Australian Field Ambulance 8th Australian Field Ambulance

Royal Australian Electrical & Mechanical Engrs (Vietnam) All Group 5 Transport Vehicles

All Group 5 sections are to continue along the western side of King William Road, to the corner of Pennington Terrace, before halting and dispersing.

GROUP 12

RETURNED & NON-RETURNED FORMER & SERVING PERSONNEL

Assemble in northern side of Grenfell Street (west from Pulteney Street to east of Rundle Place car park).

Royal Australian Corps of Transport
Royal Australian Army Ordnance Corps
Royal Australian Electrical & Mechanical Engineers
Australian Army Catering Corps
Tea Tree Gully Redbacks Band
Royal Australian Army Pay Corps

Royal Australian Army Pay Corps Royal Australian Corps of Military Police Royal Australian Air Force (former members) No. 24 (City of Adelaide) Squadron RAAF Australian Merchant Navy

All Group 12 Transport Vehicles

All Group 12 sections are to continue along the eastern side of King William Road, to the corner of Pennington Terrace, before halting and dispersing.

Full details available at https://www.rslsa.org.au/anzac-day/



The Route and Order of March has not changed from last year. (See pages 9 & 10 for maps).

DAWN SERVICE

10/27 RSAR will be holding a Dawn Service at Keswick Barracks this year starting at 0530 (followed by breakfast in the SGT's Mess). The Army Museum will be open from 0600 to 0900hrs

ASSEMBLY AREAS

- RAEME Vietnam Veterans northern side of North Terrace roughly opposite Pulteney Street.
- RAEME Association Group northern side of Grenfell Street fronting onto Pulteney Street.

The Association ANZAC Day March co-ordinator will again be John Howard, look out for him and/or the Association Banner.

We are assuming there will be enough Vietnam Veteran Members to march under their own banner this year. Trevor Parrott, our Vietnam Group coordinator has recently passed away (See Vale) so we are unsure what will be happening with the group this year. It is recommended that if there are insufficient numbers to make up a group that members (including the banner) join the Association in Group 12.

The route is the same as last year and salutes will occur at the National War Memorial, the South African War Memorial and the Vice-Regal Saluting Point on the eastern side of King William Road near the Parade Ground at Torrens Training Depot.

DRESS Jacket and tie for men, equivalent for women. Medals are to be worn.

AFTER THE MARCH:

We all usually meet back at the Torrens Parade Grounds for something to eat and drink. We have not been advised of any planned RAEME Lunch activities on the day.

DON'T miss this ANZAC activity



RAEME ASSOCIATION-SA



2024 ANZAC Function

To be held at the West Adelaide Football Club

57 Milner Road Richmond

Plenty of onsite parking available

Saturday 20th April 2024

From 1130hrs through until 1600hrs

Neat casual attire

Meals from their extensive menu, (including seniors)

Drinks available from the bar

Members, guests, friends, and family are all welcome

Vast array of raffle prizes to be won on the day

Medals may be worn

Important

For catering purposes please confirm your attendance to raeme.sa.association@gmail.com
or phone 0412 021 411 by Monday 15 April





Army Museum of South Australia History Lunch 22 May 2024 from 12—2pm

Join us for lunch and a talk about

"Keswick Barracks..... Past and Present"

A two course meal with drinks available for purchase from the bar. Three exciting speakers for the talk after lunch.



The buildings, the site development and use, and the people are an integral part of our military history.

Our speakers include: Helen Meyer, Annette Summers AO RFD, John Spencer OAM RFD and James Bateman to talk about their experiences and research into the history of Keswick Barracks.

For a booking and a seat at a table with your friends please go to: http://e.mybookingmanager.com/E11562613180558

Cost for the lunch and talk is \$30 for attendees and a fee of \$25 for volunteers at the Museum.

Please book early to avoid disappointment—this year will be seating for 100 people.



There will be a RAEME table so if you want to make your own group or be part of the RAEME table contact Greg Rosser on 0423 715 464 or email gregrosser@adam.com.au

Membership Renewal

Is your Membership up for Renewal??????

Subs are due on 1st July in the year your membership expires. Reminders have been sent out so if you have forgotten to pay NOW IS THE TIME TO DO IT.

Subs are \$10 per year with a maximum forward payment of 5 years eg \$50 for five years.

If in doubt please contact our Treasurer/Membership Member CPL Bob Matthew (mobile) 0409 962 208

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) facilities are available.

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Please send an email to our Membership Member advising him of the payment. robert.m1@bigpond.com

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED JOINING OUR ASSOCIATION?

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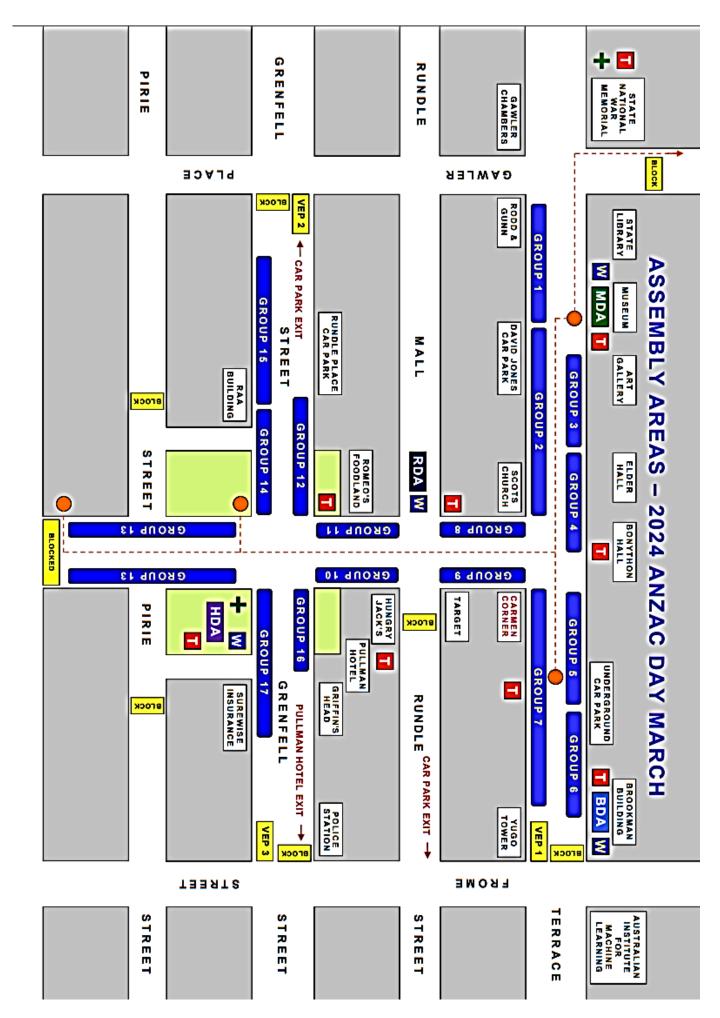
Back to Bandiana Reunion

In the March Newsletter there was an article about the "Back to Bandiana Reunion" held on the weekend of 20/21/22 October 2023. We had insufficient space for all the photos provided, so we are including some more: (Photos supplied by Lou Leeuwrik. Thanks - Ed)





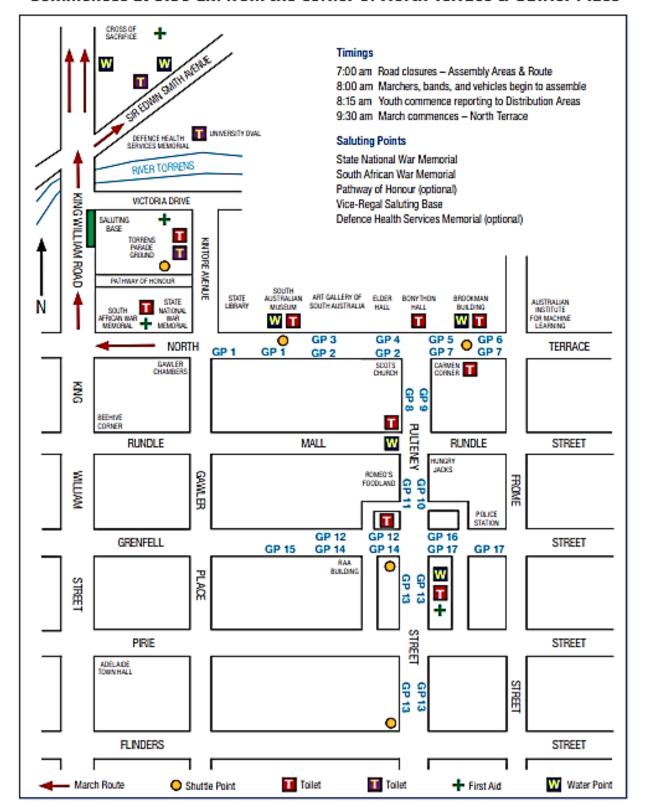




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ADELAIDE ANZAC DAY MARCH - 2024

Commences at 9:30 am from the corner of North Terrace & Gawler Place



Assembly, Frontages, Shuttle Services, and Commencement of the March

Reviewing Officer: His Excellency The Governor's Deputy will review the March from the Official Dais.

Assembly: public vehicle traffic access to the Assembly Areas, and along the March route, is to cease at 7:00 am.

Shuttle Services to Assembly Areas: will operate from Torrens Training Depot, the South Australian Museum, the University tram stop, Hindmarsh Square, and Finders Street between 8:00 am and 9:20 am. Please see orange symbols on map for locations of Departure Points.

Frontages: all sections (less bands) are to march 6-abreast - except where ADF ceremonial instructions indicate otherwise, in Group 13.

March Commencement: from North Terrace, just east of Gawler Place at 9:30 am.