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NOTE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION IN THIS EDITION

Our **ANZAC Function** this year is a lunchtime activity starting at 11.30am and finishing at 4.00pm. It is being held at the West Adelaide Football Club.

**MORE DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE FLYER
SEE PAGE 7**

The **Adelaide ANZAC March** is definitely on this year. Relevant information is shown on Page 6.

The full RSL instructions can be found on their website: see https://rslsa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/2022_ANZAC-Guide-March_web-1.pdf



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Members Welcome to our first newsletter for the year. It has been a while since our last communication, a few things have happened and I hope you are all in good health.

We held a very successful AGM and Corps Birthday celebration in November 21. The Birthday celebration was held in conjunction with the REME Association, SA Chapter Christmas Lunch. This joint approach proved to be a great way to acknowledge our Corps Birthday and Christmas with our REME friends. Over 80 people attended the function and it was great to see the raffle prizes shared amongst both organisations.

The two main outcomes of the AGM were the election of Office Bearers and formal confirmation of our Association name change. Firstly the election of Office Bearers, as per previous years the existing committee was re elected unopposed. The full list of committee is on page 1 of this newsletter.

I would like to thank the willingness of the committee members to remain in their respective roles and continue to play a key role in the ongoing success of the association.

With regard to the name change, it has been a long drawn out process. This is largely thanks to the complexities of working with the Office of Consumer and Business Services (OCBS). Despite the challenges, our Secretary, Don Harvy managed to see this task through to completion. Thanks to Don's patience and perseverance he even managed to have all related OCBS administration costs waived. It is also important to note that no OCBS staff were seriously harmed at any stage of this process.

On a sad note, in December, we farewelled one of our long-standing members Bob Davis. Bob passed away after a fall at his home. The Association was well represented at Bob's funeral service and our thoughts and best wishes were extended to Bob's wife Pat and his family. Bob was no nonsense soldier who was quick to give his thoughts and had no time for laziness or time wasting.

One of my favourite stories from Bob was the day he was advised of being charged by his LT. Bob's response was "you couldn't charge a flat battery mate". Anyway, we can all guess that didn't end well for Bob but he did maintain his sense of humour at all times. There is a small article about Bob in this newsletter.

In the past few months, the Executive Committee members have been working on a clean-up of the membership records system. This proved to be a very worthwhile task which has resulted in many membership renewals being actioned and more importantly the membership information becoming more accurate. There is a bit more information on this topic in this newsletter.

I recently caught up with our Honorary Colonel Commandant, Colonel Andrew Herbert. He was in Adelaide on personal leave and took the time to meet up and discuss Corps and Association topics. We are hoping some funds may be available this year to support an official visit and attendance at a function. COL Herbert sends his regards to all RAEME personnel and his Best Wishes for 2022.

You would have all received an invitation to the annual Anzac function. The function this year is being held on Saturday 23 April at the West Adelaide Football Club. It is important everyone attending the function RSVP to assist with catering arrangements at the venue. Full details are also included in this newsletter. See page 7.

Anzac Day this year looks to be on track for a good day however we are waiting on more details regarding any restrictions that may be in place. Full details will be sent to all members once they are known.

I look forward to catching up with everyone at our functions throughout the year.

Arte et Marte

Richard Moyses,
President



Central Region 2021 RAEME AWARDS



Head of Corp Award - Regional

ARA - CFN Shayne Mundie

The annual SA RAEME Corps CFN of the Year Award was presented to CFN Shayne Mundie by MAJ Aaron Kinleyside (Senior RAEME Representative SA) during the Corps Birthday celebration hosted by 1 CSST on 1 Dec 21.



RAEME Association of SA - Soldier Awards

The Association is very proud to continue recognising the efforts and skills of junior soldiers within our Corps. Each year the Association provides Soldier of the Year Awards to soldiers nominated by their chain of command. The award is separate to the Head of Corps Craftsman Awards. Two awards are presented, one to each of an ARA (SERCAT 7) and ARES (SERCAT 5) member. The recipients for 2021 were:

ARA – CFN Myles Telford, Fitter Armourer 1 Armoured Regiment

ARES – CFN Martin Herrling – Recovery Mechanic – 107 Fd Wksp 9 CSSB



Left: CFN Herrling received his award on Tuesday 30 Nov 21 during the RAEME Birthday celebration held at Wksp Coy

Right: The award to CFN Telford was made on 1 Dec 21 during the RAEME Birthday celebration hosted by 1 CSST. Unfortunately, CFN Telford had already departed on posting so his award was received by ASM 1AR, WO1 O'Leary.



Congratulations to all the award recipients.

2021 "Best Overall Cadet at 43 ACU" Award (Association Award) TBA

RAEME Association of SA

DIARY DATES 2022

Activity/Function

Date

- 2022 RAEME Mixed ANZAC Reunion – West Adelaide FC Saturday 23rd April
- 2022 ANZAC Day March Monday 25th April
- Committee of Management Meeting Wednesday 15th June
- RAEME Luncheon (Avoca Hotel) Tuesday 6th September
- Committee of Management Meeting Wednesday 21st September
- RAEME and other Log Association's Combined Function Friday 28th October
- 2022 Annual General Meeting - West Adelaide FC Sunday 27th November
- 2022 RAEME Birthday Family Function - West Adelaide FC Sunday 27th November

Allied Military Association Functions

- Keswick Museum History Week Lunch (See Pg 8 or Museum Website) Wednesday 18th May

VALE – Lest We Forget



SGT Bob Davis

**Vehicle Mechanic – Central Command Workshops
Passed away 14 Dec 2021 aged 76**

Herman Kroon.

**Ex 107 Recovery and Workshop Attached to RAASC (Hampstead)
also Ex Regular Army (Infantry).
Passed away 6 Nov 2021**



Online lists of recent RAEME members Deaths and Illnesses are always available at:

<http://www.raeme.org.au/index.php/notices/vale-alt>

<http://www.sa.raeme.org.au/index.php/notices/vale-report>

Vale SGT Bob Davis

An article about Bob by Bob Killoran (Honorary Life Member of our Association)

I believe Bob's life story went like this:

Bob left school and went labouring on country stations and farms. He joined the army and after training as a vehicle mechanic on an Adult Training Scheme at the RAEME Training Centre (Bandiana) he was posted to 3RAR and was with them on their second tour in Vietnam. They arrived in country just after Christmas 1970 and late 1971.

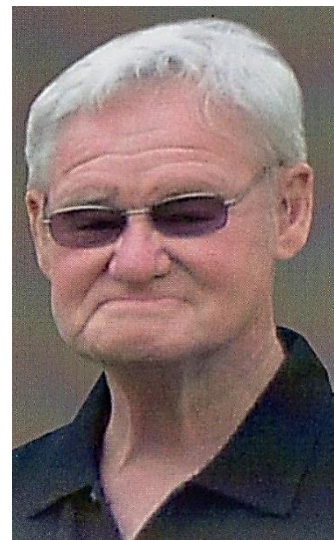
Bob told me of a standing patrol they did with some 7RAR soldiers and how they set up their Claymores facing the direction the enemy were expected to come. In the middle of the night there was a lot of movement and noise out past the mines. The 7 RAR troops would not press the clicker and in the morning they recovered the mines which had all been turned around. The noisy movement was to encourage the patrol to fire the mines at themselves.

He settled back in SA after discharge and got a job with the RAA of SA as a road service patrol officer with the number 6 (later to be renumbered 106). I joined the RAA in 1973 and after getting to know Bob he asked me come along to the 1989 AGM and I ended up going home as sec/treasurer, which all came to a crashing halt when I suffered a stroke in June 91

Bob left the RAA and got a job with Bonelly's Toyota at Marion, then went to City of Adelaide Council's small engine workshop where I believe he carried on to retirement. Bob was tasked by our association to organise our RAEME Luncheons twice a year (until he handed the job over to me).

Bob was strong character who knew HIS way was best and he was a great raconteur at our Luncheons. Our Luncheons seem very tame after he stopped coming.

Lest we forget.



Membership Records update

In recent months a lot of effort was put toward a clean-up of the association membership records. This was necessary as we had identified many members whose information was either out of date or incorrect. This included email and postal addresses, and general contact information. There were also many instances of members whose membership had lapsed and had not renewed their subscription for a number of years.

The first stage of this task has resulted in all non financial members being contacted by email or snail mail and given the option to either renew or confirm their preference to no longer be a member of the association.

The vast majority of those contacted have renewed their membership and in most cases paid five years of subs. This has resulted in approximately \$900 of membership income that was essentially overdue.

More important is the updating and confirmation of our members records. My thanks to all members who were contacted and responded promptly and positively to the request.

Going forward members can expect to receive a renewal notice in November/December of the year their membership expires. Therefore, for those members whose subscription expires in 2022, you will be contacted late this year regarding your renewal. At this time annual fees are \$10 per year with the option to pay up to 5 years in advance (\$50).

The clean up task will be ongoing and the next step is to confirm more details of our members as we continue to update our system. We will continue to provide updates as this progresses.

Important note - All members can play their part in this task by letting us know of any change in circumstances that may be relevant to the Association. In particular, change of address, change of email or phone numbers will be of interest to us. Any change of details can be emailed to Association Secretary, Don Harvy at harvy@adam.com.au

Regards
Richard Moyses, President

Seen Around Town



Senior RAEME Rep, MAJ Arron Kinleyside and his wife Sharne dining out with the 16 REGT Officers Mess members at Suite One of the Adelaide Oval. (15 Oct 21). Members relaxed through the evening and were supported by very talented musicians from the 10/27th RSAR Band.



THE MARCH IS ON

The ANZAC Commemorative March Monday 25 April 2022 - Commencing at 9:30am.



This year's march will be different from last year with COVID restrictions basically being lifted. We want as many RAEME personnel as possible to join us this year. Feel free to march with the appropriate RAEME Section by going to their respective Forming Up Point (see below and the map on Page 14).

Full details available at https://rslsa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/2022_ANZAC-Guide-March-web-1.pdf

The Order of March has changed from previous years, our Vietnam Workshops veterans are now in Group 5 their FUP is on the northern side of North Terrace. The RAEME Association of SA members are now in Group 12 with their FUP still in Grenfell St adjacent to the RAA.

Assembly Areas

- RAEME Vietnam Veterans - northern side of North Terrace roughly opposite Pulteney Street.
- RAEME Association Group - northern side of Grenfell Street adjacent to the RAA Building.

(See map on page 14).

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. Could someone who is marching in that group contact Richard Moyses, Bob Matthew or Don Harvy to ensure the veterans banner is available for use in the march. If there are not enough to make it an acceptable sized group, we suggest those members attending join with the Association in Group 12 (with your Banner).

The route is the same as last year and Salutes (banners to be lowered on the "eyes right") are to be paid at the National War Memorial, the South African War Memorial on North Terrace and the Vice-Regal Saluting point on the Eastern side of King William Road near the Parade Ground at Torrens Training Depot.

March Conduct and Paying of Compliments

Unit flags, banners and roundels are to be lowered for all salutes. Yellow unit identification signs are to remain upright and facing the front at the saluting points, except on approaching the Vice-Regal, where they are turned half-right for the salute on the order EYES-RIGHT and then returned to face the front on the order EYES-FRONT.

Carers: Two carers or wheelchair pusher are permitted to assist a veteran within unit ranks. Wheelchairs to be in front row.

After the March:

There are no planned After the March activities.

DON'T miss this ANZAC activity



RAEME ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA



2022 ANZAC Function

To be held at the West Adelaide Football Club

57 Milner Road Richmond

Plenty of onsite parking available

Saturday 23 April 2022

From 1130hrs through until 1600hrs

Neat casual attire

Meals from 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

Important

For catering purposes please confirm your attendance to

rmoyes@adam.com.au

or phone 0427 716 728 by Monday 17 April



ARMY MUSEUM HISTORY FESTIVAL LUNCH

REMEMBERING VIETNAM

50 YEARS ON!

A SA History Festival Event



Artwork IS BY Geoffrey Raynor Hook OAM, better known as Jeff Hook cartoons covering the Vietnam War.

WEDNESDAY 18TH MAY FROM 12 NOON—2.00PM

BUILDING 34A KESWICK BARRACKS

HISTORY LUNCH GUEST SPEAKERS

MICHAEL VON BERG, BOB 'DOGS' KEARNEY AND PETER HARAN

COST

\$25 (INCLUDES A TWO COURSE MEAL AND MUSEUM VISIT (DRINKS AVAILABLE AT THE BAR)

Book and pay for the luncheon from 7 April 2022

<http://e.mybookingmanager.com/Amosa-history-lunch>

HOSTED BY MICHAEL VON BERG MC, OAM.

A Vietnam War Veteran, who served in the Australian Army as part of both 1RAR and 5RAR and then later in the Special Air Service Regiment

EASY PARKING WITHIN KESWICK BARRACKS

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

2021 AGM - RAEME Association of SA

Held on Sunday 28th November 2021

As we have normally been doing, we combined the AGM with our Corps Birthday Function and both were held at the Coopers Ale House, Gepps Cross. Because of difficulties finding a suitable venue that didn't require payment for the number of guests specified or charged a room hire fee we elected to combine with the REME Association of SA members to run a shared event. Our AGM started at 10am to ensure we were finished in time for setting up for the Birthday function.

The following are details of the highlights and outcomes of the AGM.

President's Report

- During COVID we suspended our Public Liability Insurance to save money. For review.
- Combined logistics function in October went ahead and was a great success
- RAEME Assn National Network continues to play its role
- The RAEME Humour Book has been published

Secretary's Report

- Office of Consumer and Business affairs of SA have finally approved our change of name to the **RAEME Association of South Australia Incorporated** and also accepted our revised **constitution** (at last) and they are both effective from the 19th November 2021.
Due to the lengthy timeframe they have agreed to waive all fees that would have applied.
- There have been 6 new members since the previous AGM.
- OC of 43 Army Cadet Unit is keen for our sponsorship to continue including continuing the perpetual Trophy



Treasurer's Report

The trading on the Association account is a good result given the lack of opportunities to generate income.

Operating funds available **\$7814.77**

Total Net Position **\$13,287.04** (Incl monies in term deposit and monies held for 7RAR)

Election of Office Bearers

No new nominations were received, and all current committee members agreed to continue on in 2022.

Soldier of the Year Awards

President advised the Soldier of the Year Awards will be presented today and on Tuesday at Warradale and Wednesday at Edinburgh.

- **ARA:** CFN Telford – 1AR Regt
- **ARES:** CFN Herrling – 9CSSB

Support to 43 Army Cadet Unit

Sponsorship to the amount of \$200 to be given to 43 Army Cadet Unit for 2022 and the Award for the Best Overall Cadet at 43 ACU will continue to be presented in 2022.

Activities and Functions

With the proposed reduction in government Covid restrictions the committee is planning to run the usual range of activities in 2022. (ANZAC Function, ANZAC March, bi-annual Luncheons, Corps Birthday etc)



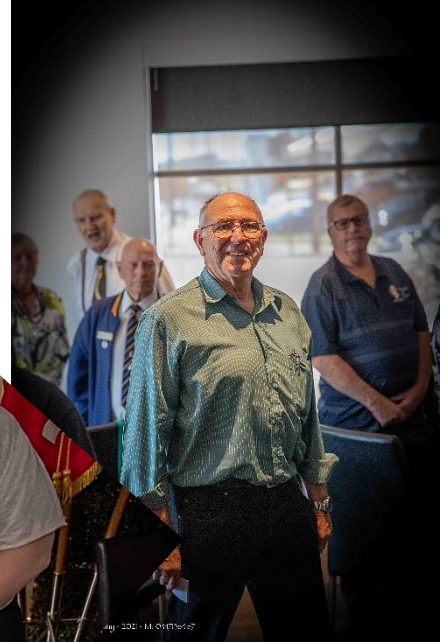
2021 RAEME CORPS BIRTHDAY

Sunday 28th November 2021 - Coopers Ale House – Gepps Cross

As mentioned regarding selection of a suitable venue for our AGM, we joined with the REME Assn of SA to run a combined activity. We have always invited each other to most of our respective activities and have always had a great time so it worked well.

The combined raffle was a monstrous event and most people ended up winning a prize..

A great afternoon was enjoyed by all.



Logistics and Health Services Dinner

Friday 29th October 2021 at West Lakes Golf Club

The evening was open to all current and former serving members of the Logistics and Health Services Corps as a combined Annual Dinner. As usual RAEME had the largest contingent of guests but who is counting.

The highlight of the evening was a talk by Mark Jones QFSM, the Chief Officer and Chief Executive of the SA Country Fire Service. His talk was humorous and very informative highlighting the changes he found when transferring from the British Fire Services to the Australian Fire Service.

We were also entertained during the evening by a Quartet from the Army Band while enjoying a delicious 3 army memorabilia provided mainly by our Treasurer Don Harvy



*Left
Our President
MAJ Moyes and his
wife Judy.*



*Right
Our Vice President
John Prince and his
wife Ellen*



ARA Corps Birthday Photos

(Sorry no names were provided so enjoy looking for your picture)

Photos Courtesy of John Prince. Many thanks John.



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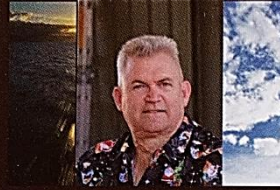
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MAKE SURE IT IS RIGHT

A man received the following email from his neighbour:
I am so sorry mate. I've been so riddled with guilt I can't face you so I sent this email

I have to confess. I have been using your wife, day and night, whenever you're not around. In fact, much more than you.

I'm not getting any at home, but I know that's no excuse. I can no longer live with the guilt and I hope you will accept my sincerest apology with my promise that it won't happen again.

The man, anguished and betrayed, went into his bedroom, grabbed his gun, and without a word, shot his wife.

A few moments later, a text came in:

Damn auto correct. It was meant to read "wifi" not "wife."

Need to update your Membership Details?

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS, EMAIL OR TELEPHONE NUMBER????

IF SO, PLEASE LET OUR SECRETARY – DON HARVY KNOW

Email: harvy@adam.com.au Mobile: 0412 021 411

ANNUAL FEES

Did you know your Fees can be paid by Electronic Funds Transfer?

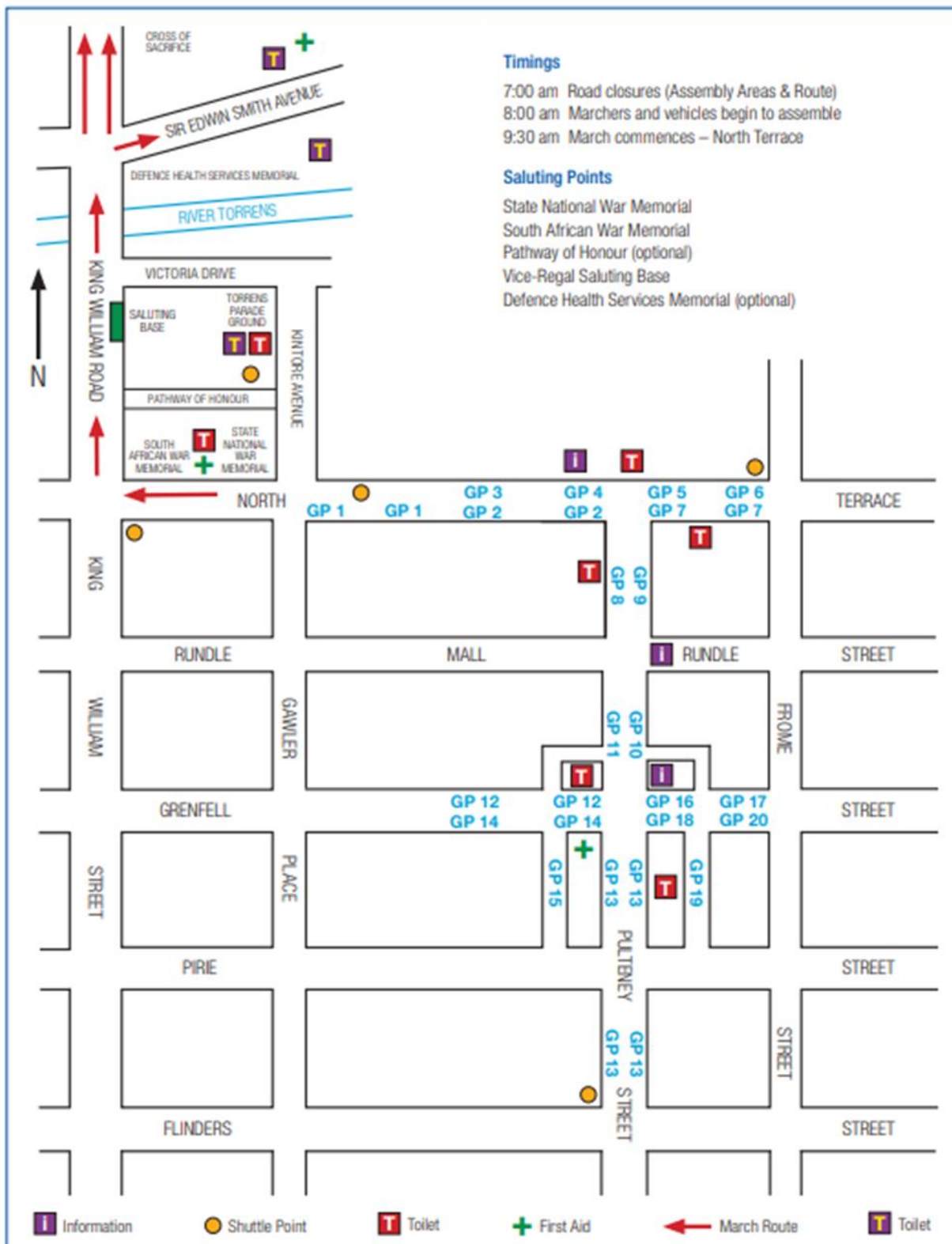
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Note: Please also send an email with details of the payment to our Treasurer.

robert.m1@bigpond.com

ADELAIDE ANZAC DAY MARCH - 2022

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



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

Reviewing Officer: Her Excellency The Governor of South Australia 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.

Transport to Assembly Areas: Participants may travel to their Assembly Areas using one of three shuttle services between 8:00 am and 9:30 am. Please see orange symbols on map for locations of Departure Points.

An additional shuttle service: A third shuttle service will now operate between Torrens Training Depot and the South Australian Museum.

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

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