

# "SITREP, OVER!"

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## Former CO promoted to COLONEL

At a ceremony on Tuesday 16th November 2021 former Commanding Officer of the 10th/27th Battalion RSAR Lt Col Trent Burnard was promoted to full Colonel at Keswick Barracks. Trent started his long military career with 10th/27th Battalion back in 1990 as a 17 year old Rifleman, and transferred to the Regular Army 3 years later. He has deployed overseas to Rwanda and to Timor Leste, where he served with distinction. Trent joined the RSAR Association in 2016 soon after commencing his tenure as CO, and upgraded to Life Member in 2017. He has been a loyal supporter of the Association not only as a member but also as the CO of the Battalion Battle Group. We, at Association HQ congratulate Trent on this magnificent achievement and know he will continue to support us and the Regiment as he has in the past. Well done Colonel!



Younger sister Private Ashleigh Burnard was on hand at the Keswick Barracks Officers Mess to witness the promotion of "Big Brother" Trent to full Colonel!



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# End of Year Lunch

**When: Sunday 19th December**

**Where: Roy Inwood VC Club**

**Keswick Barracks**

**Timings: 1100 hrs to 1500 hrs**

**Lunch @ 1230 hrs**



**Cold Meats**

**Green Salads**

**Bean Salads**

**Coleslaw**

**Potato Salad**

**Drinks available at cost**

**Lunch is FREE. Drinks at Members expense**

**All RSAR Association members and partners are invited to our End of Year Lunch @ Keswick Barracks.**

**Join us and help celebrate another year in the history of our Regiment.**

**For catering purposes please RSVP to the Secretary David Laing on 0407 791 822 or [davidlaing49@bigpond.com](mailto:davidlaing49@bigpond.com)  
NLT Friday 10th December**



## EDITORIAL

The AGM in October was a chance for members to have their say about a number of issues, including the price increase of Hard Copy newsletters to members without internet, the price rise of paid Life Membership, and the election of office bearers. The committee had previously voted on a number of issues, but these always need to be ratified at an AGM. This was done most emphatically, and a number of issues previously discussed by the committee were “over-ruled” by the members present. This is an excellent outcome, as it shows that our Association is not run by the committee, it is run by the members, as it should be! The Committee of Management (CoM) are authorised to make certain decisions on behalf of the members, but the final say will always come back to you, the stakeholders. Democracy at its finest.

After our President Rod Beames had a couple of nasty accidents whilst renovating his shack at Coffin Bay, I volunteered my services to assist build an ensuite toilet to the main bedroom, and to dial 000 if he had another catastrophe. He accepted, so after a 9 hour road and ferry trip to the Eyre Peninsular we managed to spend 4 days building a Hardiflex-clad timber structure that would withstand the strongest of storms. The job would have been finished earlier had it not been for the constant stream of Rods’ “old friends and comrades” from 40 years ago who all wanted to reminisce about days gone by! It showed me just how many friends Beamsey actually has outside of our “military circle” and he would be a multi millionaire if his friends were worth a dollar each. Well done Rod! (You can see the results of our efforts on Page 16.)

President Rod received a phone call from the Battalion saying they were in a spot of bother and needed someone to cater for the soldiers competing in the Simpson Trophy Shoot at Murray Bridge Range at “very short notice!” How much notice, says he? TWO WEEKS says they! Not being ones to knock back a challenge he said “OK! Done!” and within a few phone calls a small group of members put up their hands and the exercise started to take shape! Where? When? Where? Venue? Catering facilities? Equipment? Food? Any more questions? No, good. Make it happen! The results are on Page 4. Never let it be said we don’t love a challenge! (But a bit more notice next time will do our defibrillators a world of good!) Thanks to Rod Beames, Dave & June Laing, Graham & Julie Elliott, Howard Parslow, Col Abel, Colin Phillips and David Hope. Well done!

That’s what I think!

*David Laing* - Secretary / Editor



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## Supporting the Simpson Trophy

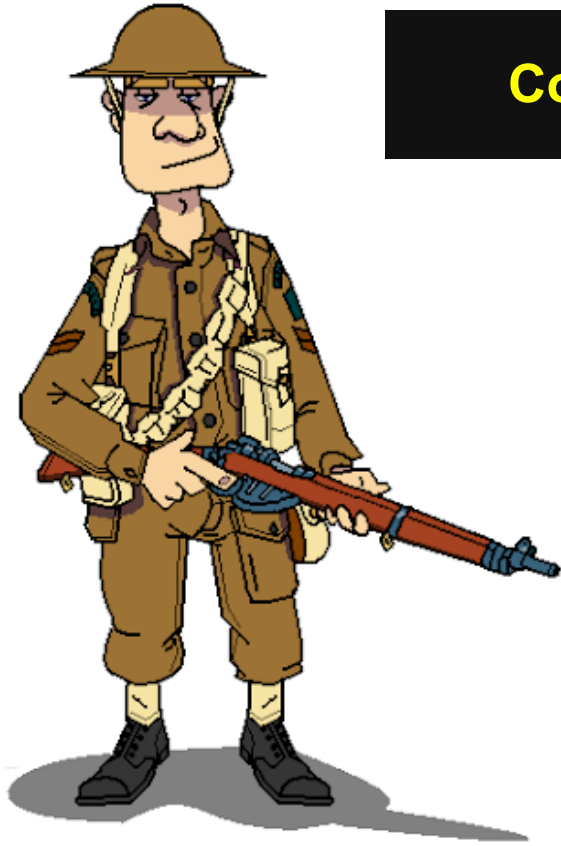
The RSAR Association Catering Section donned aprons and tongs to feed about 120 hungry mouths at the recent Simpson Trophy Qualifying Shoot at the Murray Bridge Range. On a warm, blustery day most members blamed the wind for the poor results, but winners were grinners. (See story next year!) Thanks to June Laing and Padre Paul Ghanem for the pics. He really is a great worker. I'm glad he's on our side!











## Corporal Numbnutz Funnies.

Let me get this straight: you've eaten bologna your entire life, but you'll refuse a vaccine because you don't know what's in it.

Does anyone know how long toilet paper will last if you freeze it?

**If you need 144 rolls of Toilet Paper for a 14 day lockdown, you probably should have seen a Doctor long before COVID-19 hit!**

A schoolteacher was arrested today at John F. Kennedy International airport as he attempted to board a flight while in possession of a ruler, a protractor, a compass, an ancient wooden device called a "slide-rule" as well as a code device called an "abacus" that he claimed was a calculator.

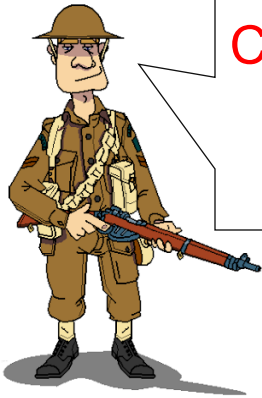
At a morning press conference, the Attorney General said he believes the man is a member of the notorious Al-Gebra movement. He did not identify the man, who has been charged by the FBI with carrying weapons of math instruction.

"Al-Gebra is a problem for us," the Attorney General said. "Al-Gebra has terrorized many young people for years. They derive solutions by means and extremes and sometimes go off on tangents in search of absolute values".

"They use secret code names like 'X' and 'Y' and refer to themselves as 'unknowns,' but we've determined that they belong to a common denominator of the axis of medieval with coordinates in every country." As the Greek philosopher Isosceles used to say, "There are 3 sides to every triangle."

When asked to comment on the arrest, President Biden said, "If God had wanted us to have better weapons of math instruction, he would have given us more fingers and toes."

White House aides told reporters they could not recall a more intelligent or profound statement by a President at any time in all of history. ABC, CBS, CNN, MSNBC, NBC proclaimed Biden has solved yet another problem created by Trump.



People say 70 is  
the new 50! The  
Cop who just pulled  
me over didn't  
agree!



I said my name was Marc with a "c"...

If the person who named  
Walkie Talkies named  
everything

Stamps - Lickie Stickie  
Defibrillators - Hearty Starty  
Bumble bees - Fuzzy Buzzy  
Pregnancy test - Maybe Baby  
Bra - Breastie Nestie  
Fork - Stabby Grabby  
Socks - Feetie Heatie  
Hippo - Floatie Bloatie  
Nightmare - Screamy Dreamy



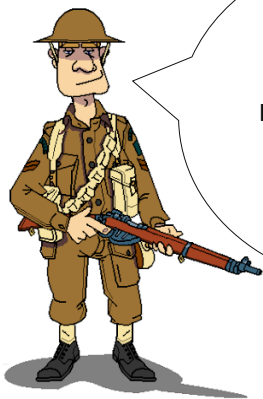
"Your resume says you spent  
'fore years at collej."

A PESSIMIST sees a dark tunnel  
An OPTIMIST sees light at the end  
of the tunnel

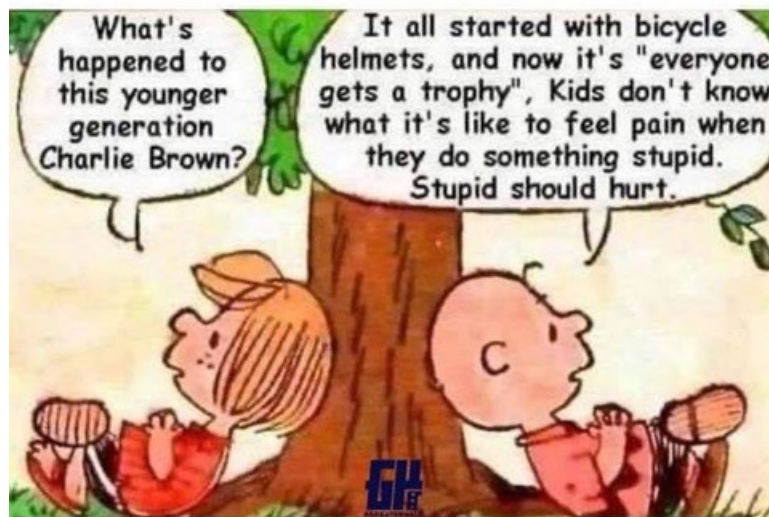
A REALIST sees a freight train

The TRAIN driver sees 3  
idiots standing on the tracks.





If you see me talking to myself.....I'm just having a Staff Meeting!



**MOST PEOPLE  
DON'T THINK I'M  
AS OLD AS I AM  
UNTIL THEY HEAR  
ME STAND UP**



Robert asked the televangelist to pray for his hearing. After 3 minutes of violent shaking and trying to push him over backwards the preacher ask, "how's your hearing"? Robert replied, " I don't know. It doesn't take place until Tuesday at the courthouse."

**My wife took up gardening...  
I wonder what she's going to plant**





# SX1323 WO1 JOHN GEORGE PERCIVAL, MBE

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## British Commonwealth Occupation Force (BCOF) 1945 to 1946

RSM Percival marched into the 65th Battalion on the day it was formed. The War Diary notes that RSM Percival and his batman embarked on the SS WILLIAM H. POINT in November bound for Morotai.

### Morotai

The transit of Morotai allowed the Brigade to catch its breath away from the distractions of Balikpapan in order to complete manning, conduct specialist training and generally prepare for its role in the British Commonwealth Occupation Force of Japan (BCOF). The first priority for the RSM was the conduct of an NCO's promotion course.

### Japan

The Force sailed in February 1946 and disembarked at Kure, Japan. Initially, the 65th was spread over several locations before occupying the purpose built "Vasey Barracks" at Fukuyama. The Battalion allotted company areas of responsibility in Hiroshima Prefecture, Honshu, which the Battalion, ultimately became fully responsible for.

Considering his experience and reputation RSM Percival was an ideal choice to assist in the development of a newly raised infantry battalion. Unfortunately in March his service was interrupted through hospitalisation for several weeks resulting in his medical downgrading and departure from 65th Battalion in May 1946. (It is more than likely that this hospitalisation was due to a painful condition requiring a laminectomy, an operation to relieve pressure on the spinal cord. This belief is based on his duration in hospital, brief period on return to duty, need for further recovery in a holding unit and the entry in his Regimental Record of Service stating he had a scar "Laminectomy near lumbar region".

His next posting was RSM Headquarters, British Commonwealth, Sub-area, Tokyo (Australian Army Component) (Bricomsat). The 65th War Diary notes "WO1 PERCIVAL J. marched out to "BCOF Sub Base area TOKIO where he has been assigned the task of forming a HQ".

Several days later Percival was charged with "*conduct to the prejudice*" and awarded a severe reprimand and five pounds fine by Commander, 34th Brigade. A medium offence but not one expected of an RSM. On the same day, 19 June 1946, he was temporarily transferred to "34 Inf. Bde Rec Camp (H/S)". WO1 Percival was then posted to 4th Military District (South Australia) and departed Kure in October arriving in Adelaide in November 1946, just in time to be officially awarded the MBE.

There was a furphy that "**he [Percival] had actually struck an Officer and had been charged and convicted of the offence**". There is **absolutely no evidence** whatsoever to support this contention. Although, it should come as no surprise that any RSM, especially one who served as such throughout the Second World War, would not take kindly to being removed as RSM of an infantry battalion despite medical opinion. There can be little doubt he would dispute the issue in robust terms. But the charge of striking an officer is much more serious offence which could attract a harsh penalty at court-martial, including detention and/or reduction in rank: but, more importantly, a severe limitation to any future career prospects.

### Return to South Australia

Now in Adelaide for the next twelve months, WO1 Percival was attached to various 4MD instructional and inspection units until he regained his medical class 1 status.

WO1 Percival was transferred to the Interim Army in July 1947 and retained his rank. But the following month, his enlistment in the Australian Regular Army resulted in his reduction in rank to staff sergeant, temporary WO2. By 1950, however, Percival had regained his health and rank of WO1 and once again was appointed RSM 10th Infantry Battalion.

Return to 65th Battalion redesignated 1st Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment

Towards the end of 1951, 1RAR was warned for active service in Korea. Unfortunately the battalion was deficient an RSM as the previous RSM, WO1 G. L. Hart, departed the unit in October.

Preparing a unit for combat operations is an arduous and exacting task. The unit needs to be reinforced to establishment war strength and those unfit or with insufficient service are posted out. 2RAR provided the bulk of the reinforcements. Individuals, platoons, companies and the battalion have to be trained and tested to op-



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erational standards, while embarkation administration: kit issues, leave, medical checks and inoculations have to be squeezed in wherever possible to meet the stipulated departure date.

Whatever caused the absence of an RSM during this critical period is not known but it is reasonable to assume that the transition from war to peace and consequential Army reorganisation had some influence. The Peace Treaty with Japan came into force in April 1952 while the Army continued to downsize, suffering reduced resources in both manning and training. The Korean War commenced on 25 June 1950 and the Army needed time to reverse this “winding down” process. But regardless of all that, WO1 Percival once again stepped up to the mark to assist his old unit in its struggle to comply with the operational requirement. He served in this capacity from 10 January 1952 to 6 March 1952 and was then replaced by RSM, WO1 W. R. Smith on the eve of the Battalion’s embarkation for Korea.

There can be little doubt this short stint in 1RAR was a bitter/sweet experience for RSM Percival.  
Return to South Australia 1952

After seeing 1RAR off to Korea, RSM Percival returned to RSM 10th Infantry Battalion. A year later John Percival married Ruth Elizabeth Adams and a daughter was born three years later.

### **RSM 10th Battalion 1952 to 1966**

RSM Percival remained RSM 10th Battalion until September 1966. (Redesignated 1RSAR (Pentropic) on 1 July 1960 and redesignated 10th Battalion 1 July 1965. He then acted as unit adjutant 10th Battalion until his retirement on 14 November 1967.

### **Forms of Service**

Compulsory service two years, 24 Militia; 27th Battalion ten years, 2nd AIF; 3 November 1939 to 25 August 1947, and, ARA 24 August 1947 to retirement 14 November 1967.

### **Death**

***“Percival, John George, MBE – On October 24, At R.A.H. [Royal Adelaide Hospital] (result of an accident). John George, dearly loved husband of Ruth Percival of 18 Coorilla Avenue, Glenelg North, and adored father of Susan and Jeane, aged 60 years”. Advertiser, 25 October 1973.***

### **Medical Summary**

During his service, Percival was hospitalised on eight occasions for periods ranging from one week to eight weeks. Some of the ailments include; Hepatitis, Duodenal Ulcer, Malaria and a Laminectomy. He was medically downgraded to Class 2 in 1946, 1948 and 1964 and upgraded Class 1 in 1947 and 1951.

He appears to have “soldiered on”, possibly unwisely on some occasions, but, from an RSM’s point of view, whatever circumstances existed at the time determined the effort required, regardless of the consequences.

As he neared retirement, Percival’s health steadily deteriorated and his records note “Class 2 – Duodenal ulcer, fit for certain duties base area only, except for parades, prolonged walking, standing or bending.”

But even so, he reenlisted in July 1964 and in May 1966, served as Acting Adjutant 10RSAR on higher duties allowance as captain until August 1967 when he began compulsory retirement procedures in preparation for discharge on 14 November 1967.

### **Disciplinary Summary**

Percival contravened military law on five occasions during his service. These could be categorised as minor to medium offences and were disposed of summarily:

- a. 19 June 1946, Conduct to the Prejudice of Good Order and Military Discipline. Awarded – Severe Reprimand and £5 Fine.
- b. 23 June 1948, AWOL two days. Awarded – Reprimand.



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- c. 30 June 1948, AWOL two days. Awarded – Severe Reprimand.
- d. 28 February 1952, “AA19”. Awarded £10 Fine. No wording of any actual offence is mentioned and the reference “AA” or Army Act only applies on war service or active service. The “War” ended on 28 April 1952.
- e. 15 May 1961, Conduct to the Prejudice of Good Order and Military Discipline (Carried alcoholic liquor in an AMF vehicle. Vehicle documentation incomplete). Awarded – Reprimand.

These offences cannot be further explained without knowledge of the circumstances. But suffice to say they were lapses of discipline not expected of a Senior Soldier. Even so these lapses do not appear to have affected the respect, distinction, high esteem in which Percival was held nor did they effect his career in any way. In fact, five offences in 27 years would only be of interest in the case of an RSM anyway.

### Honours and awards

MBE

MID

MSM

1939/45 STAR

AFRICA STAR

PACIFIC STAR

DEFENCE MEDAL

WAR MEDAL

AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL

GR VI CORONATION MEDAL

LONG SERVICE AND GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL, Japan clasp awarded posthumously.

Battle Honours 2nd/10th Australian Infantry Battalion

NORTH AFRICA, DEFENCE OF TOBRUK, THE SALIENT,

SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC 1942-1945

BUNA-GONA, CAPE ENTAIA-SIREMI CREEK, SANANANDA – CAPE KELLERTON, MILNE BAY, and LIBERATION OF AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA.

### IMPRESSIONS

A British migrant who settled in Australia and who spent most of his adult life serving in both 2nd AIF and reserve infantry battalions raised in South Australia. The achievements of John George Percival accentuate the responsibilities of an infantry RSM in both war and peace.

Out of a career spanning 28 years he spent 23 years as the RSM of an infantry battalion and six of these as RSM 2/10th on Active Service. He remains a legendary figure in the Australian Army.

During his earlier compulsory military service and militia service in the 1930s, John showed considerable potential and developed an early passion for army life. In 1939 he enlisted in the 2nd AIF and served with distinction in iconic battles in the Middle East and the South 27 West Pacific Area being decorated with the MBE and MID.

During the span of the 2nd World War RSM Percival served with all five commanding officers of 2/10th Battalion. At war's end he volunteered for service in BCOF and was posted as a founding member of the 65th Battalion.

Percival's term as founding RSM of 65th Battalion ended with lengthy hospitalisation, medical downgrading and removal from 65th Battalion to serve in an administrative headquarters the likes of which he had previously avoided.



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His old unit, of course, could ill afford to lose such an experienced warrior at such a critical time in the Battalion's life. A few weeks later, on joining Bricomsat, disciplinary action caused Percival to be transferred to 34th Brigade Rest Camp before returning to South Australia in October 1946.



During his service, WO1 Percival proved himself to be an exceptional RSM even when judged against the established high standards set by Australian infantry RSMs in general.

### PRO PATRIA

He then served in 4MD units, regaining his health, but was reduced in rank as a consequence of enlisting in the ARA. In June 1950, he was again appointed as an RSM to 10th Battalion followed by RSM 1RSAR (Pentropic) before returning to 10th Battalion. During this period, he was also transferred to 1RAR to fill the vacancy of RSM before that unit was deployed for combat

operations in Korea.

The bachelor RSM married in 1953 and a daughter was born in 1956.

WO1 Percival suffered further bouts of ill health during his career followed by medical downgrading but on each occasion he returned to the required level of fitness as an infantry RSM. As one would expect of an RSM, WO1 Percival just "soldiered on" but, apparently, not always wisely or quietly. But despite these illness and disciplinary issues his reputation and performance were never doubted or put in question.

RSM Percival was again placed on medical restrictions in 1966 resulting in his reposting from RSM to the Acting Adjutant 10th Battalion until his compulsory discharge date of November 1967.

At WO1 Percival's Farewell Parade in Adelaide on 22 October 1967, his old commanding officer, now Chief of the General Staff, General Sir Thomas Daly, reviewed the Parade and presented WO1 Percival with the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal. A rare event and just another example of the high esteem in which he was held.

*While the early years are the result of my own research I also wish to acknowledge the work of Lt. Colonel Barry Caligari (Ret'd) C.O. 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. The Royal Australian Regt. (1981 -82) whose input of WO1 Percival's post WW2 service is greatly appreciated.*

*Des Hawkins*

*Historical Officer - Royal South Australia Regiment Association Inc.*

# The Padre's Ponderings

By Chaplain Paul Ghanem

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LEST WE FORGET : REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE 2021

CENTENNIAL PARK SA

Let me tell you a story.

Flight Lieutenant Daniel Reid, flew spitfires in WW2; a RAAFie, 41SQN.

In March 1945 he successfully intercepted a German Arado 234 aircraft (the world's first operational jet-powered bomber) which earned him a Distinguished Flying Cross.

Now, the interesting part of this story is not about his military service but on what he did on his discharge. On his discharge he joined the Franciscan Friars and became a Roman Catholic Priest and missionary in PNG where he labored in the rugged mountain regions around Aitape and Weewak. I know this because, as a young friar myself, I met him on his return to Australia.

Working in Aitape he met a talented, beautiful and intelligent young girl, the Chieftains' daughter with whom he struck up a friendship. Under his direction and with her support they were able to bring about many positive changes; roads, medical centers and schools. He even established an airline - FranAir, short for Franciscan Airlines, that became the lifeblood of the region.

Time marched on and their deep respect for one another grew.

30 years after their first meeting, frail and close to death, Fr Reid had come to the end of a second distinguished career and was to return to Melbourne. Hearing this news the chieftains' daughter, now a respected elder and leader, decided to see her beloved friend one last time and to give him a gift. But there was journey to make; a 90 minute flight, a two day bumpy drive or a 6 day arduous walk.

What did she do? Out of dried reeds she embroidered for him a delicate and beautiful cloth and, never having travelled far outside her village, she set off. Carrying her gift she set off, walking out of her village across the plain down to the ravine back up over the mountain and back down again. Steadfastly she walked up and down, over and across, carrying her gift.

Meanwhile, he heard news of her journey. Moved with great joy about the possibility of seeing his friend, he sat daily on a bench outside the little hospital - waiting.

Finally, after a 6 day journey they spotted one another and before they could embrace she held out her hands bearing her gift and said: "Please understand I have done as you taught me, I offer the journey as part of the gift."

The journey is part of the gift.

Why do we gather here today?

The Australian Army is built on 5 qualities: Service – Courage – Respect, Integrity and Excellence

These are the qualities that the Chieftain's daughter saw in FLTLT Reid and they are qualities that he practiced well after leaving the RAAF. They are also the qualities that she lived in her life and they are qualities that we too are called to live.

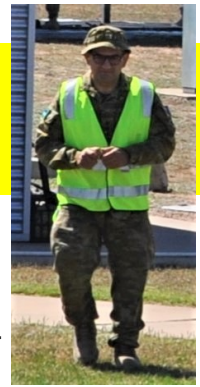
Service – Courage – Respect, Integrity and Excellence is what we recall today.

These are not once off qualities that we observe during times of conflict and war but these are qualities that we called to aspire to and live each and every day.

And when we do so, I believe, we make the journey part of the gift we offer our grateful and compassionate Creator and God.

In 12 months time we will have journeyed once again to this day.

As FLTLT Reid did, as the Chieftains' daughter did and as I implore you to do: From this day forward until we meet again in 12 months time, to a grateful nation make your daily lived journey part of your gift.





## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hi David ....

Following our recent conversation re WO 1 J Percival – confirming his final parade on the Torrens Parade Ground on a date I've forgotten.....

Lt Howard Parslow was the Colour Officer with Colour Sergeants Ron Stanton (Deceased) and Myself

The Reviewing officer was Lt General Sir Thomas Daly KBE CB DSO and Chief of the General Staff.

The Parade was a unique parade for part time soldiers as it demanded a very high standard of which the Battalion did achieve .

Cheers

Barry Pollard

[The recent posting of our "What does the RSAR Association really do?" videos on You Tube and Facebook](#) bought swift comments from members. Here are some.

Mate this is perfect. Especially for those young fellas who aren't in the association because they have no idea what it's all about

Jesse Humphrys

Thanks for sharing David.

My apologies for not attending the AGM yesterday, I was on the October LFX at MUTA. Hope the AGM went well otherwise.

I'll share the below videos on the Bn ForceNet page so all members can watch and hopefully join the Association.

Cheers,

Matt Hume Lt. 10/27 RSAR  
Pro Patria

Dave,

Brilliant, well done, very proud of the Regimental Association.

I thank you and the Committee for your committed work in preserving the memories, camaraderie and honour of the Battalion.

Kind regards.

Lee Rossetti

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hi Dave

Sorry i could not make it yesterday but i had a meeting that could not be changed. The videos are very informative and should hopefully increase our membership .

Regards The Baitlayer

Col Abel

Thank you David.

Well done to all who took part in organizing these Videos.

I often wonder what my life would be like if I lived in Adelaide and would be involved with the Association.

The communications always prompt my memory to remember undoubtedly the best days of my life commencing with 2 COM Z Pro Company, posted to 43RSAR Recruit Training Battalion, and then posted to HQ 9 Task Force Torrens Training Depot as Defense Platoon Sergeant for my last few years.

Apologies for the short ramble on.

Thank you for all your work with the Assoc. – having been involved with a few things myself, I understand how demanding some things can become. Nothing happens without someone's hard work.

Stay well and safe

Cheers,

Steven Rado

Hi Dave

Absolutely brilliant ! Thank you so much, each video is a classic in it's own right. A remarkable achievement and a lasting memory - well done those men

Cheers

Norm Tregenza

Hi David

Well put together. Nice presentation. I found it very interesting and gave me an update. As I now live in Vic I am unable to get involved during the year.

Thanks

Joe Vella



Hi David

When do you have a rest!! We received the Sitrep with pics from yesterday's AGM yesterday and this today on the 4 videos.

I found these videos very informative. Thank you for bringing our attention to the services of the RSARA. Congratulations to all involved.

I hope that you have left all email technology at home, but if not have fun in Port Lincoln.

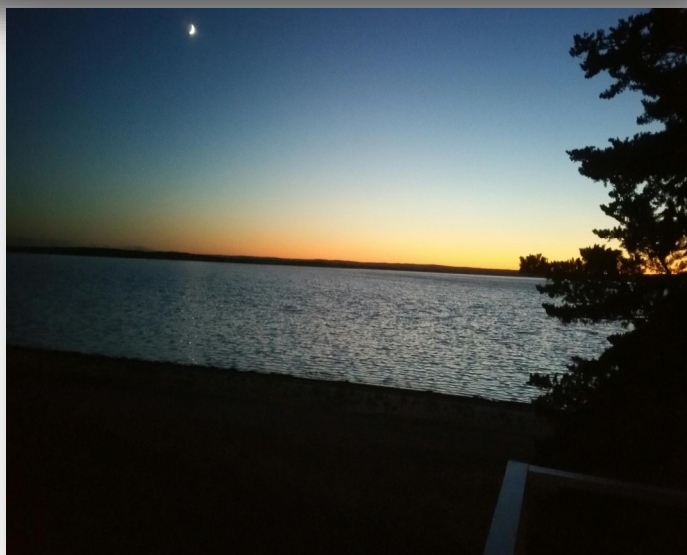
Incidentally I was so sorry to miss the Army Band's concert at St Peters Girl School, which is 4 minutes walk from my home but it clashed with a get-together for Philippa Hook's birthday down the road at Pembroke. (*Happy Birthday Philippa. Editor*)

Best wishes,

*Heather Phillips*



There comes a time when mates need to spend some down time together and pit their building skills against each other to see the result. After 3 days of work that would have taken younger men only 1, we downed tools and looked at the job we had completed. When we climbed down from the ladders our bones sounded like a creaking whaleboat, so we packed away our hammers and saws and opened a couple of well earned beers. Then a red wine. And another. An annuver. The picture at right is of a sunrise, not the sunset. Cheers. Rod & Dave



Life Members			Members A-S			Honorary Members	
Last Name	First Name	Serving	Last Name	First Name	Serving	Last Name	First Name
Acton	Chris		Abel	Colin		Read WO1	Ben
Ayles	Jeff		Abraham	Michael	SM	Benveniste LTCOL	Sam
Beckett	David	SM	Attenborough	Geoff		Wilson MAJGEN	Neil
Benveniste	Sam	SM	Bampton	Michael	SM		
Blackmore	Bill		Bennett	Christian	SM	Honorary Member for Life	
Boscence	Bob		Blondell	Mark	SM	Beames	Rodney
Brookes	Philip		Brown	Bruce			
Burnard	Trent	SM	Burnard	Saxon	SM	Associate Life Members	
Burns	Wayne		Burton	Ray		Last Name	First Name
Carnachan	Ian		Buttars	Erik		Elliott	Julie
Carpenter	Ian		Carlisle	Lesley-Ann	SM Σ	Field	Shirley
Cotton	Bob		Cooke	Nat		Johnson	Sally
Dart	John		Cram	Kevin	Σ	Laing	June
Davey	Trevor		Demosani	Tony		Phillips	Heather
Elliott	Graham		Dew	Trevor		Sanderson	Lorraine
Gaborit	Lyndon		Domanski	Glenn			
Harris	Lachlan		Dunn	Bob		Associate Members	
Hawking	Don		Dunn	Peter		Last Name	First Name
Haynes	Malcolm	SM	Eva	Keith		Abel	Karen
Higgins	Jonathon	SM	Ewens	Mimi	SM	Brown	Jenni
Higgins	Jonathon		Faquiri	Reshad	SM	Carnachan	Dom Σ
Hogan	Mark		Faunt	Joshua	SM	Dunn	Trish
Hook	Alan		Foy	Erin	SM	Hudson	Margaret
Hope	David		Gatley	Graham	▲	Johnson	Margaret
Horseman	Ian		Gibson	Lindsay		Parsonage	Yvonne
Hudson	Mike		Gill	Graham		Toy	Jill
Jackson	Aaron	SM	Goodwin	Graham	SM	Trogenza	Lyn
James	Grant	SM	Gordon	Frank		Winger	Kathleen
Johnson	Paul		Groffen	Renee		Honourary Member for Life	
Johnson	Barry		Harrington	Malcolm		Honorary Members	
Klopf	Alex		Harrison	John		Life Members	
Laing	David		Harrison	Keith		Serving Life Members	
Lakin	Bruce		Harrison	Nigel		Members	
Marlin	Robin	SM	Hawkins	Des		Serving Members	
Meredith	Michael	SM	Hill	Max		Associate Life Members	
Miller	Nick		Hudson	Rick		Associate Members	
Moore	Terry		Hume	Matthew	SM	Total financial members	
Moore	Thomas	SM	Humphrys	Jesse	SM Σ	184	
Paul	John		Jones	Brett		Prepaid Members	
Pollard	Barry		Koop	Joshua	SM		Σ 2021/22
Salamon	Piotr		Loveder	Peter			▲ 2022/23
Sanderson	Max		Matchett	William			
Standing	Michael		McCulloch	Don		<div>If you haven't paid your Annual Fees since the AGM, you're now due.</div> <div>Santa will only visit FINANCIAL members, so to avoid embarrassing questions from your kids and grand kids, please pay your subs before Christmas!</div> <div></div>	
Stewart	Robin		Mclver	Bill			
Stewien	Peter		Mitchell	Barry			
Vella	Joe		Moroney	Frank			
Waters	Ian		Mulroney	Dennis			
Westover	Rhys		Normadale	Zachary	SM		
Wilson	Graham		Oakley	Andrew			
Yorke-Simpkin	Reg		O'Daly	Ryan	SM		
			Orrock	Alan			
Members S - Z			Parslow	Howard	Σ		
Last Name	First Name	Serving	Parsonage	James			
Sanders	Ashley	SM Σ	Pascoe	Michael			
Schuh	Simon	SM	Payne	Bob			
Scott	Rhys	SM	Pexton	Timothy	SM		
Skapin	Corey	SM	Phillips	Colin Rex			
Smith	Ryan	SM	Portakiewicz	Anthony	SM Σ		
Sniedze	Julie	SM	Portakiewicz	David	SM Σ		
Tasker	David		Powell	Gary			
Thomas	David		Preece	Brian			
Thomson	Jim		Rado	Steven			
Trogenza	Norm		Ramm	Hank			
Trezise	George		Ranger	Denis			
Tsoulakis	Christos	SM	Robertson	James			
Tucker	Belinda	SM	Rossetti	Lee			
Weepers	Nicole	SM	Sage	Andrew			
Wheeler	Chris						





Royal South Australia Regiment Association Inc

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP



Membership Category

Date of Application / /

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Full Membership</b> \$20 (Former member of the RSAR)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Current Serving Military Member</b> Must have served with the RSAR or a sub unit. FREE 1st year. \$10 thereafter while still serving
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Non Voting Associate Member</b> \$10 (Spouses, non former members of RSAR)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Life Membership</b> (Once only payment) <input type="checkbox"/> FULL Member \$200 <input type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATE Member \$100

My Details - Please print clearly

Full Name:	Postal Address:
Date of Birth:	Email:
Mobile No:	How did you hear about the Association?
Period of Service / / to / /	<input type="checkbox"/> Current Serving Member of the RSAR or Sub Unit
Spouse/Partners name.	Have you been a member since then? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

Method of Payment

<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque or Money Order - Payable to The Treasurer Christian Bennett RSAR Association Inc 5 Ashwin Parade Torrensville SA 5031	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic Funds Transfer Royal South Australia Regiment Association Inc BSB 633 000 Account 1616 585 88 Include your name as an identifier								
<input type="checkbox"/> CASH (In person to the Committee)	<input type="checkbox"/> Automatic Deduction (The Fire & Forget option) <table border="1"><tr><td>Account Name:</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Bank:</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>BSB:</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Acct #</td><td></td></tr></table> <p>Funds will be deducted at the start of each financial year and can be ceased on written notification to the Secretary or Treasurer</p>	Account Name:		Bank:		BSB:		Acct #	
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☐ I understand that receipt of this application constitutes my acceptance of the Associations Rules as set down in the Constitution found at the website address below. I also authorise the processing of my preferred method of payment and acknowledge that I may be required to provide proof of past or current military service as required.



Website: [www.rsara.asn.au](http://www.rsara.asn.au)



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