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The official newsletter of the 2nd/14th Light Horse Regiment (Queensland Mounted Infantry) Association

Welcome to our third Newsletter for 2017. It is now mid-year, Anzac Day has passed and the Association has a new committee from our AGM in April. First let me introduce and welcome those elected to our management committee.

- Secretary Sandy Johns
- Treasurer Shayne Burley
- Public Officer Colin Bunker
- Social, Events and Museum Officer Phil Lilliebridge
- Communications/Media Member Darren Brown
- Assistant Secretary (Membership) Graeme Brown
- Assistant Treasurer Dean Chappel

And our support team

- Newsletter Editor Bill Cross
- Regimental Representative MAJ David Faulkner
- Soldier Representative TPR Matt McQuillan

Since April the committee members have been very active in understanding their new roles. There have been some changes to the social calendar, an upgrade to the membership register and attendance at the Boer War Day Commemorations in Brisbane and the dedication ceremony of the new Boer War Memorial in Canberra on the 31st May.

It is a big second half of the year with Beersheba Day Celebrations planned for the end of October. The 11th November BBQ should again be a great afternoon. We plan to hold the Black Hat Dinner on 25th August at Kedron Wavell Services Club. Keep an eye out for notices of these events. I also ask that you to spread the word on these events and encourage others to attend.

As part of these events, the committee intend holding a members only draw. The rules will be simple, if you are at the event and your membership number is drawn, you win the prize. Other raffles and prizes will add to the occasion.

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New events include a 4WD or bike ride organised by Shayne Burley. We intend to integrate a 4 WD drive event with an overnight camp out/story telling/BBQ on 7-8 October. I refer to it as the "tall tales" event as I am sure the myths and legends of the Corps will get spoken about, analysed and recreated. For those who aren't in to 4 WD, the campsite will be accessible to family sedans.

We are also looking at events such as River Cruises up the mighty Brisbane River or Craft Brewery walking tours. If you have suggestions, please contact any of the committee. Suggestions are always welcome.

The Association is about its membership and the camaraderie and friendship that it gives. It is your Association. We can only continue if you support both the management committee and our planned events. In return each and all on the committee and I pledge to do our best, listen and respond to you, and continue to make our Association the best we can. To this end attached is the latest membership list. If you identify others not on the list that should be a member, I encourage you to get out and recruit.

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Graeme Nicholas
President



Anzac Day 2017 : Hellfire Pass

The Regimental flag was recently paraded in Thailand as stalwarts of the Association, Graeme Nicholas, Danny Brookes and Tony Nobes travelled to Thailand to attend the Dawn Service at Hellfire Pass and a daylight service at the Kanchanaburi Commonwealth War Grave.

Both services were a moving and special tribute to the "railwaymen" who, as POW, laboured under harsh conditions and Japanese rule to construct the Burma-Thailand Railway. The ceremony was made more special by the attendance of two surviving POW, both of whom spoke to the assembled crowd as part of the ceremony.

The Regimental flag has previously flown proudly at the Long Tan Cross, in a dawn service trip by both Graeme and Danny.

Boer War Day Brisbane and the Dedication of the National Boer War Memorial



The Association, represented by Graeme Nicholas and Sandy Johns participated in the Boer War Day Commemorative Service at Anzac Square on the 28th May. The service was unique in that it coincided with the dedication of the National Boer War Memorial in Canberra on the 31st May.



At the Brisbane service, TPR Matt McQuillan was presented with two books from the President of the Boer War Memorial Association, LTCOL Ron McElwaine OAM RFD ED (Retd). Additionally the CO, LTCOL Andrew Moss CSM, was presented with a native South African bead necklace from the Boer War for inclusion in the regimental museum collection.



In Canberra, His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove, AK, MC, Governor General of Australia officiated in a service of dedication of the new national Boer War Memorial. The date 31st May was chosen as it is date of the 115th anniversary of the signing of the Peace Treaty of Vereeniging that ended the Boer War.



The memorial consists of four bronze statues of mounted troopers and represents typical examples of Australian mounted rifles as a section on patrol in the South African veldt. The memorial is dedicated to those who served in the war (referred to as the South African War 1899-1902) and is significant in that it was the first major conflict that Australia fought as a nation.

The memorial was a twenty year vision and a four year construction project undertaken by many dedicated and committed individuals. Particular mention should be made of two Association members, LTCOL Miles Farmer OAM (Retd) and CAPT Bill Cross OAM (Retd), who worked tirelessly as part of the Queensland state committee. Well done both.

41 Club Function

The Annual 41 Club Black Hat function is now in its 24th year, and the 2nd/14th Light Horse Regiment Association would like to invite all Black Hats and those of Corps that served in a Black Hat unit to our annual family BBQ drinks get together on the 2nd Saturday in November. This year the Function will fall on Remembrance Day the 11 November 2017.

Due to the current security arrangements, please RSVP with your full name and drivers licence number (anyone over 16 will need to be added to the list) to Shayne Burley email ssatjj@optusnet.com.au. Your name will be added to the entry list to facilitate entry to the barracks on the day.

Details below:

What – Black Hat Family 41 Club Get-together;
When – 1200-1800 Saturday 11 Nov 16;
Where – 41 Club Enoggera Barracks; and
Cost - \$10.00 (to cover the BBQ, etc)

1 AR Association

The 1 AR Assn has embarked on a major exercise to compile a Nominal Roll of all those who served regardless of Corps, with the Regiment from its formation in 1946. The request is set out below.

Project Encompass
June 4, 2017
Russ James

The 1st Armoured Regiment association has embarked on a project to produce a nominal roll of all uniformed personnel (regardless of corps), who served with the 1st Armoured Regiment from the time it was formed in 1946 (1st Australian Armoured Car Squadron) to the current day. Two (2) older ex Warrant Officers (too slow to move one pace backwards) have volunteered to manage the project and coordinate the collection of data to achieve the mission. Russ James (WO1) and Dick Stanios (WO2) were both Chief Clerks who served in the Regiment – Russ from 1967 to 1979, and Dick from 1977 to 1990.

Why – to preserve the history of the Regiment, fostering Esprit de Corps, recognising the importance of the Regimental Family, to assist formers members and their families in time of need, paying appropriate recognition at funerals, and as an aid in determining the bona fides of those wishing to join the Association. To ensure that we do not infringe on Privacy legislation we intend, as far as possible, to collect only Regimental (Army or PM Keys) number, surname, given

names, ranks and dates of service with the Regiment. In some cases, we have been provided with nicknames, appointments and Squadrons, troops and callsigns. We need some of this information to specifically identify individuals.

Please contact either Russ James on 0419 331 401 or at RF.James@bigpond.com or Dick Stanios on 0488 026 881 or at leopardas.1@hotmail.com to ensure that you have been included or to nominate anyone that you either served with or recall from the past.

Invite From Kilcoy RSL

As you might or might not know the RSL Kilcoy sub branch has a link with the 2nd LHR (QMI) through the township having a troop prior to WW2. The sub branch was fortunate enough to receive a Leopard tank when they were decommissioned and has an extensive museum 'per se' of military memorabilia.

At our meeting it was suggested that we invite 2nd/14th LHR (QMI) Association to our sub branch.

I had informed them of the activities that the association organises such activities as mystery drives, M/C rides etc. To encourage visitation to our area they asked if the group would like to visit our sub branch on a date suitable to all. We are not a club and have limited resources and manpower but have put together a meeting place for all veterans ex and serving.

Should you be interested we are happy to put on a bbq for the members with some good Kilcoy meat (at a minimal cost of course cheaper than Brookes). We are licensed and there is ample parking on the road out front.

Also we require a repaint of our Leopard, is there a chance that 2/14LH might have some to spare? Or do you know where we can acquire some. Look towards you reply.

Looking forward. Regards,
Stephen (Bung) Porter

CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS?

Please notify changes of Postal address, Email address, or other relevant information to the Management Committee. This can be done through the Contact Page on the Association's Website.

ANZAC DAY 2017

By Sandy Johns



Former CO and Association member, LTCOL Miles Farmer OAM, led the 2/14 march contingent.

Brisbane turned on a beautiful day for this year's event. Although numbers were down overall, we managed to gather 40+ for the march. Life Member, Miles Farmer, lead the Association with distinction, looking splendid in his head dress. Grahame Jardine-Vidgen handled the Words of Command with style. I think we all did ourselves proud.

After the march, many of us adjourned to the Pig 'n' Whistle for a refreshing drink and a bite to eat. It was good to catch up with past comrades and to meet new faces.

Please make the effort, especially the younger generation of returned officers and soldiers, to come next year. I am sure you will get a lot out of the day.

The Make A Wish Foundation approached 2/14 LHR (QMI) in early August 2016 asking the Regiment to design an activity around two of his great passions; James Bond and armoured vehicles. The ten year old was given a day to remember as he arrived at Brisbane State High School's ovals dressed for the part as James Bond with a Kiowa from Army Aviation Training Centre waiting for him to fly to Gallipoli Barracks and start the day.



BOER WAR MEMORIAL DEDICATION

By TPR Matt McQuillan

The day started out with myself meeting up with Phil Lilliebridge & Steve Howells at their accommodation, which was believed to be just a short walk from the memorial and the day's event. This proved to be a bit of an underestimation on our behalf but after some much appreciated assistance from a local bus driver we arrived at the site of the memorial dedication ceremony on ANZAC Parade in Canberra.

Although Canberra had been experiencing some negative temperatures in the mornings over the previous week, the sun had decided to come out for the big day and with it, the crowd. The Southern end of ANZAC parade had been closed off to public vehicles and was bustling with quite a large crowd of spectators with uniformed members of the Federation Guard assisting them. Even more people had turned up than was expected as there was a large number overflowing from the seated area standing off to the side to watch; the estimated attendance was 1500.

After meeting and greeting many of the familiar faces present at the event, the ceremony began with the Governor General Sir Peter Cosgrove and his wife arriving and taking their place at the seating in front

of the memorial, followed by the catafalque guard taking post.

The audience was welcomed with by the President of the National Boer War Memorial Association, (RAAC) Colonel John Haynes OAM (Retd). The Governor General then gave a dedication speech and unveiled the memorial dedication plaque before accepting the memorial as a gift to all Australians. The memorial itself consists of four 1.5 times life-sized bronze statues of mounted troopers, depicting a mounted section on patrol in the South African veldt during the Boer War. The statues are very impressive and were created with a fine eye for the authentic original period detail of the riders' uniforms, saddles, weapons and gear.

Overall it was a very good experience to be a part of a such an impressive turn out for the event. Not just from the heads of our forces and government, but from the public as well. The most noteworthy effort being that of the team working towards making the memorial a reality, demonstrating an extraordinary level of commitment and dedication over nearly 20 years from when the RAAC Assn decided to take on this big project on behalf of our Lighthorse forebears.



Calendar Of Events July-December 2017



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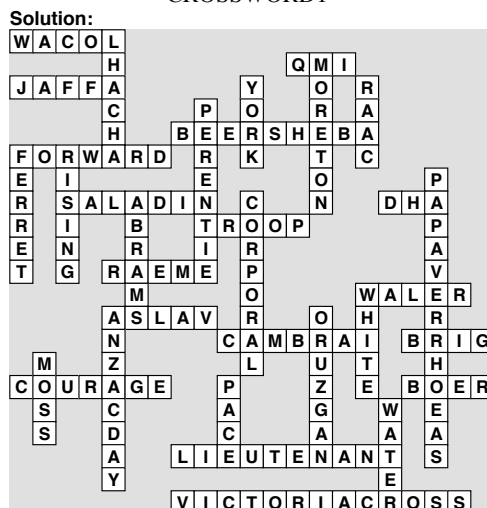
Date/Time	Event	Location	Organised By
25 Jul / 1500hrs	Management Committee Meeting	Legacy House	President 0410 652 102
25 Aug	Black Hats & Friends Dinner	Kedron Wavell Services Club	Phil Lilliebridge 0458 005 388
7-8 Oct	Tall Tales Camp-Out	TBA	Shayne Burley 0439 178 922
17 Oct / 1500hrs	Management Committee Meeting	Legacy House	President 0410 652 102
28-31 Oct	Beersheba Commemoration	TBA	
11 Nov / 1300hrs	Black Hat BBQ and Drinks	Enoggera Barracks 41 Club	Shayne Burley 0439 178 922
19 Nov / 0800hrs	Association 4WD Day	TBA	Shayne Burley 0439 178 922
5 Dec / 1500hrs	Management Committee Meeting	Legacy House	President 0410 652 102
5 Dec / 1700hrs	Association Christmas Drinks	Fox Hotel	President 0410 652 102

Vale Jim Ellis - LTCOL (Retd)

Many older members of the Association will remember Jim, particularly those who were posted to 1 Armd Regt Puckapunyal in 1956. He was then an outstanding young corporal, and was selected for a short attachment to a British Armd Car Regiment in Malaya during the emergency. He later went to OCS, Portsea where he topped all the courses. He had a stellar career thereafter, including Vietnam. After the Army Jim lived near Bungendore and became a farrier, winning many competitions, including some at the RNA Exhibition in Brisbane. He was also a member of the "Bungendore Escape Club"! Jim died on 4th May His funeral service was held on 27th May

Crossword Solution from April Newsletter

2/14 LHR (QMI) Assn Inc. CROSSWORD1



MEMBERS REGISTER

(Alphabetic Order)

Surname	Preferred Name	Surname	Preferred Name	Surname	Preferred Name	Surname	Preferred Name	Surname	Preferred Name
Adams	Joe	Coleman	Paul	Hunt	Canada	Mooney	Max	Wilson	Darryl
Anderson	Michael	Collingburn	Ash	Jackwitz	Kev	Morris	"Tanks"	Woods	Gordon
Andrew	Rob	Coughlin	Joan	Jardine-Vidgen	Grahame	Moss	Andrew	Wright	Ed
Appelby	Gordon	Crawford	Andrew	Jensen	Bob	Myers	Greg		
Armstrong	Al	Crawford	Scott	Jenssen	Powder	Nicholas	Graeme		
Auld	Steve	Crombie	Don	Johns	Sandy	Nobes	Tony		
Balkin	Rod	Cross	Bill	Johnson	Thomas	Noffke	George		
Barlow	Dennis	Crossley	Michael	Jones	Gordon	O'Donnell	Michael		
Barlow	Peter	Cullen	Wayne	Jordan	Sunshine	O'Gorman	Peter		
Beattie	Frank	Dabrowski	Dabbles	Jordon	Bon	O'Loughlin	Patrick		
Beauchamp	Peter	De Vere	Ray	Josey	Riley	O'Rourke	Thomas		
Beil	Dinga	DEVRELL	CHRIS	King	Darryl	Owens	Scott		
Beil	Dinger	Dimmick	Dimmo	King	Zac	Peake	Greg		
Bird	Dick	Dodd	Roy	Lane	Bob	Phillips	Ken		
Bishop	John	Dunn	Dunny	Lane	Brett	Porter	Bung		
Blyth	Col	Efstathis	Olga	Lang	Rod	Qualischefski	Geoff		
Brady	Russ	Efstathis	Vias	Lawler	Phil	Reddan	Ian		
Brookes	Danny	Elwell	Bunny	Leggett	Jack	Rewko	Peter		
Brown	Charlie	Farmer	Miles	Leslie	Derek	Reynolds	Ryley		
Brown	Darren	Fisher	David	Libby	Andrew	Roche	Michael		
Brown	Graeme, "Brownlie"	Flynn	Trevor	Lilliebridge	Phil	Rushby	Peter		
Brown	Carmel	Foenander	Steven	Lilliebridge	Priscilla	Scaysbrook	Chill		
Brown	George	Frank	Lex	Litkowitz	Terry	Schurr	Jason		
Buck	Keith	Freeman	Victoria	Lovegrove	Graham	Seager	Cluny		
Budden	John	Friend	Len	Lowe	Trevor	Semmens	Ken		
Bunker	Colin	Gallagher	Chris	Lucas	Shane	Shepherd	Keith		
Burford	Matt	Gaudron	Darryl	LUHTASAARI	MATT	Smith	Greg		
Burke	Tony	Gibb	Malcolm	Lund	Anthony	Spargo	Kev		
Burley	Shayne	Gibb	Roslyn	Mackenzie	JJ	Spehr	David		
Burnell	Jeff	Green	Greenie	Malcolm	Craig	Stein	Lawrence		
Burns	Chris	Griffiths	Griffo	Martin	Michael	Stephens	Chris		
Burrows	Graeme	Hagerty	Bob	McAuliffe	Pat	Stewart	Tim		
Cantwell	Jane	Haig	Ed	McCanna	Pat	Sturdy	Studd		
Cantwell	John	Hall	Vic	McCiellan	Scott	Sullivan	Sully		
Carey	Rob	Hardy	Simon	McCrohan	Scott	Vonk	Rob		
Catts	Adele	Harris	Harry	McDonald	Glenn	Wade	Bob		
Chapman	Bob	Hatfield	BJ	McNamara	Graham	Wadeson	Tony		
Chappel	Dean	Haydon	Bill	McQueen	John	Wallam	Wally		
Chappel	Karen	Heironymus	Graham	McQuillan	Matt	Waycott	Bill		
Chigwidden	Marc	Henderson	Andrew	Meecham	Maurie	Wear	Russ		
	Michael	Hermann	Bruce	Meecham	Joan	Websdane	Chris		
Childs	Tom	Holder	Gary	MILLER	TALAN	Weir	Colin		

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP		
Surname		
Christian Names		
Preferred Name		
Postal Address		
Residential Address		
Telephone Numbers	Home	
	Work	
	Mobile	
Email Address		
Date of Application		
Class of Membership requested (tick appropriate one)	Ordinary	
	Service Associate	
	Associate	
Relevant Regimental Service (incl dates)		