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# THE OBSERVATION POST

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**South Australia & Northern Territory Branch**  
**National Malaya & Borneo Veterans Association of Australia Inc**

National Patron: General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK AC(Mil) CVO MC (ret'd)  
SA/NT Branch Patron: Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia



## † 214742 Bombardier Brian James 'Snowy' Selby (1945-2022)

On Saturday 7 May, Philip Ting came to Adelaide specially to pay his last respects to our late President Brian 'Snowy' Selby and Mrs Chris Selby. We gathered at our memorial in the West Torrens War Memorial Gardens in Hilton to honour Brian's devoted efforts over many years.

Datuk Philip Ting AM PGBK is a Sarawak businessman and the Australian Honorary Consul in Kuching. Philip has been a great supporter of our Branch visits to Kuching, and he has joined us for dinner during his various visits to Adelaide. We presented Philip with a Malaya-Borneo scarf in thanks for his support and friendship.

Philip placed a tribute in Brian's memory (centre) and Branch Committee member Paul Bayliss placed a tribute on behalf of the SA/NT Branch.

*Lest we Forget || Andai nya Kita Terlupa*





## NOTICES

### NEW MEMBERS

Crisel Rosenzweig

#### RAP

John Camilleri

Allan Davies

Digger Digance

Russ Rowett

Bill Voyce

### COMMITTEE

Paul Rosenzweig OAM

*President*

*Public Affairs Officer*

Don Cameron

*Vice-President*

*Ceremonial Officer*

Paul Bayliss

Jenny Cameron

*Treasurer*

Vicki Crannaford

Di Davies

Beverley Dubois

*Minutes Secretary*

Chris Selby

### CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Mal White

*Merchandise Officer*

### CONGRATULATIONS

WO2 Nathan Price  
*on your recent promotion,*  
*and to you and Amy on the*  
*birth of William Edward*  
*Price, 29 March 2022*

## BRANCH UPDATES

The SA/NT Branch Committee has been busy over the last few weeks making arrangements for our continued operation and, by necessity, this has involved a few small changes in the way we do business – as the state branch of a nationally registered incorporated body. All changes are being made by the Branch Committee in accordance with the Constitution and in consultation with the national President.

The Branch Committee met on Friday 6 May 2022. Interim President Don Cameron advised that he wished to remain as Vice-President, and would like someone else to take on the role of President and declared the position vacant. The committee endorsed Paul Rosenzweig as its nominee for President.

At a Special General Meeting held on Friday 20 May, Paul Rosenzweig was formally elected as Branch President, on the nomination of the Branch Committee. Mr Don Cameron remains as Branch Vice-President, as per his wishes. More to follow in due course.

We are fortunate to only have 6 non-financial members at present. Any payment of past arrears would be greatly appreciated to support Branch operations.

As well as some general updates, this newsletter also includes a Calendar of Events endorsed by the Branch Committee. There are still some matters to be confirmed, but at least we can continue meeting at the Avoca Hotel for the time being.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June meeting: 1100h Friday 17 June 2022, Avoca Hotel  
Followed by lunch

July meeting: 1100h Friday 15 July 2022, Avoca Hotel  
Followed by lunch

*Date of interest:* End of the Malayan Emergency, 12 July (1960)

*Date of interest:* Thursday 11 August: End of Confrontation (1960)

SA/NT Branch AGM: 1100h Friday 19 August, Avoca Hotel  
Followed by a general meeting and lunch

**Malaya-Borneo Veterans Day** service of commemoration – to be held at 1100h on Friday 26 August in the West Torrens Memorial Gardens, Hilton

*Date of interest:* Wednesday 31 August: Malaya-Borneo Veterans Day

*Date of interest:* Sunday 11 September: Batu Lintang liberation (1945)

September meeting: 1100h Friday 19 August 2022, Avoca Hotel  
Followed by lunch

October meeting: 1100h Friday 21 October 2022, Avoca Hotel  
Followed by lunch



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## CONDOLENCES

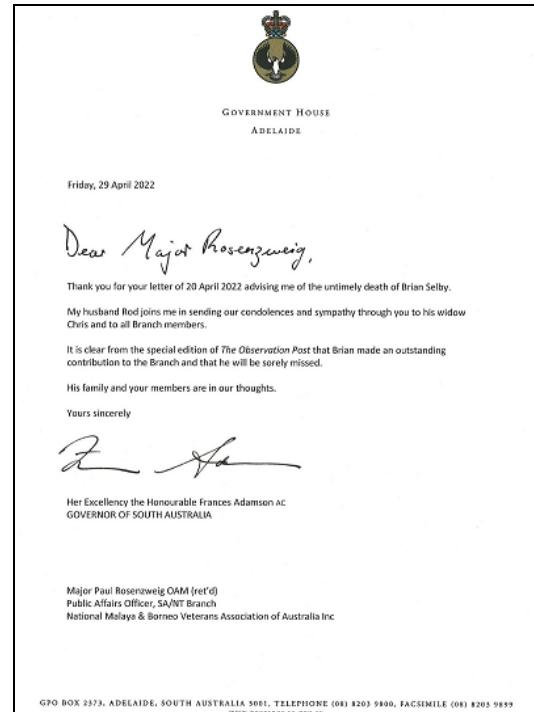
We have received many messages of condolence in honour of our late President Brian Selby.

Our Branch Patron, Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia, sent this message:

*"My husband Rod joins me in sending our condolences and sympathy through you to his widow Chris and to all Branch members. It is clear . . . that Brian made an outstanding contribution to the Branch and that he will be sorely missed".*

Dipak Dhamala, the Honorary Consul General of Nepal in SA, wrote from Nepal:

*"I am indeed so sorry to hear the sudden demise of Brian Selby . . . Brian was a very special man. I have fond memories of our many past meetings. His departure is a big loss to Nepal and Nepalese people. My Very Sincere Condolence to his family and friends. May His Soul Rest in Peace".*



## SA/NT BRANCH MEMORIAL

Datuk Philip Ting AM PGBK, the Australian Honorary Consul in Kuching, recently visited Australia.

On 7 May he flew in to Adelaide to personally pay his respects to our late President Brian Selby (1945-2022) and Mrs Chris Selby.

We gathered at the SA/NT Branch Malaya-Borneo memorial in the West Torrens War Memorial Gardens in Hilton. Datuk Philip Ting placed a wreath, we placed a wreath on behalf of the SA/NT Branch, and members placed poppies in remembrance.





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## WEST TORRENS MEMORIAL GARDEN

Branch Committee member Paul Bayliss placed a wreath on behalf of the Branch to honour the devoted efforts over many years of the Branch's late President Brian Selby.

This Malaya-Borneo memorial was unveiled in a special dedication ceremony conducted on Saturday 22 April 2017. The ceremony was supported by an Honour Guard provided by Air Force Cadets from No 604 Squadron, AAFC.



Datuk Philip Ting presented Interim Branch President Don Cameron and Mrs Chris Selby with a memorial testimonial from the Sarawak Tourism Federation and the Sarawak Heritage Development Committee.

On behalf of the SA/NT Branch, Don Cameron presented Philip with a Malaya-Borneo scarf and a Branch coffee mug in thanks for his valued support and friendship.

