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NATIONAL PATRON GENERAL THE HON. SIR PETER COSGROVE[RET] AK AC[MIL] CVO MC  
SA NT PATRON HIS EXCELLENCY THE HON. HIEU VAN LE AC GOVERNOR OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.



## NOTICES

### ***VALE***

**CAPT Sir Tom Moore**  
**Yorkshire Regt**  
***HOSPITAL***  
**Joan Johnsson**  
**Brian Selby**

### ***RAP***

## ***SELAMAT TAHUN BARU 2021***



New Years Eve ADELAIDE



New Years Eve DARWIN

### ***BIRTHDAY***

**Paul Rosenzweig OAM JP**  
**Bill Field MBE**

### ***WELCOME***

**Russell Rowatt RM**  
**Paul Lemar AAFC**



New Years Eve  
Kuching , Sarawak  
from the Darul Hana Bridge

## ***Points of Interest...***

- ◆ Vicki Tiegs OAM.
- ◆ Australian "Purple Heart" medal.
- ◆ 55th Anniversary SITREP
- ◆ 2021 Meetings .
- ◆ Fund Raising 2021
- ◆ NZ MVA Bush Fire Donation for SA.
- ◆ 2021 Membership.

## **55TH ANNIVERSARY**

**SITREP:** The planned 55th anniversary commemoration for the CEASE FIRE of the Indonesian Confrontation war in Kuching, Sarawak, on 28th August 2021, has been cancelled, due entirely to the COVID-19 pandemic..

"Plan B" is now being arranged and the ideas at this point are twofold; at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra on 11 August and in Adelaide on 27th or, 28th August.

This significant Australian military anniversary will be open to all surviving veterans from the Australian, New Zealand, Malaysian and UK armed forces together with their families and friends in both locations.

Plans will include suggestions for accommodation and the services to be conducted at each proposed site. At this time, the COVID-19 disruptions within the Australian state borders are indicating a much better scenario will / may be in operation....we can only hope so.

The service on 11 August at the AWM will be dedicated to the 55th Anniversary....

Your comments are welcome.....

SI VIS PACEM PARA BELLUM



## MINISTER FOR VETERANS' AFFAIRS



AUSTRALIA

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The Minister for Veterans' Affairs, the Hon. Darren Chester MP, has called for submissions regarding the implementation of a medal for all Australian military personnel who were KIA, DoW, DoI and Injured whilst on Active Service. The above medals L-R are the UK, Canadian and NZ medals modelled on the US Purple Heart award.....

## The GRAYWOOD Medal

This is the unofficial medal designed by the NSW branch of the Korean veterans' for Australian personnel KIA, Dow, DoI and Injured on Active Service

## HONOURS AND AWARDS 2021



Jan Algar, Vicki Tiegs OAM, Bill and Ross

**Hearty Congratulations** to our Vicki Tiegs for being awarded the OAM in the 2021 New Years Honours List .....Vicki was acknowledged for her outstanding promotion of her home town of Wollongong and the Illawarra district of NSW.

Vicki is the Director of the Waples Marketing Group... And a very close advocate for our ESO....*banyak bagusla...*

## SA &amp; NT BRANCH MEETINGS

The COVID-19 disruptions and unprecedented deaths suffered world-wide will take many years to recover from. The strategies put into operation in Australia have not been perfect, however, the overall reactions have been a model that many countries could use, with modifications to suit?

At this time, unless there are further COVID-19 restrictions to be observed which restrict the meeting venue and gathering numbers, the meetings will go ahead as scheduled.

**However**, if you have any reservations about the infection cycle, you are not obliged to attend meetings.....

## VACCINATIONS

The first 80,000 Astra Zeneca vials were delivered by air into Sydney on 15 Feb and the priority roll out for injections will commence from Monday, 22 February.

The logistics to be tested for the national coverage may be adjusted as the roll out increases with the availability increasing from imports and the new purpose built Australian laboratory comes on line.

Two vaccinations are necessary and the interval between the injections is two weeks.

56 million injections plus spares in total...

## SA &amp; NT Branch MEMBERSHIP

In addition to **Ordinary Membership**, our Branch includes.. **Associate Membership** for Family and friends over 18 years of age. **Social Membership** for those interested in joining and helping us, and also **Junior Membership** for family and friends under 18 years of age.

**Ordinary membership** is for ex-service personnel, and those currently serving in the ADF, who have served in the prescribed areas during WW2, the 1948-1960 Malayan Emergency, the 1962-1966 Indonesian Confrontation, all service post 1966 to the present day, and

**RIFLE Coy  
Butterworth**

**Annual subs are:**  
**\$20.00** for Service, Associate, and Social Membership,  
**\$5.00** Junior members.

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**Everyone is very welcome to join us and enjoy our functions.....**  
**Ed.**

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**ANNUAL SUBS DUE**  
**from 1 January except**  
**for members**  
**joining between**  
**1 Oct and 31 Dec**



CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2020



← The Wall Hanging was the main Raffle prize donated by Vicki Crannaford was won by Helen Meyer and will be mounted in the Meeting area Lounge at the SA War Widows Guild premises...*Bagusla....*

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**DVA CONTACT**

The phone number for all DVA requirements is

**1800 838 372**

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**AVOCA HOTEL**

The Avoca is owned and operated by RSL SA.... OPEN from 0900 - 0300 with gaming, dining and full bar facilities, large bottle shop and has various function and meeting spaces for hire.

RSL members enjoy a 15% discount on all dining and beverage choices.

Special functions can be arranged for groups e.g. Wine and Cheese tastings

Mia and Amy are the gurus  
Ph: 08 8293 1183

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2020



The 2020 Remembrance Day service was held at the Holdfast Bay War Memorial, Glenelg.

The service is conducted by the Plympton-Glenelg RSL Sub-Branch.

The SA & NT Branch was represented by Bill Voyce, Vicki Crannaford, Brian Selby and Paul Bayliss.

The Catafalque Party was mounted by 9 CSSB from Warradale Barracks.

Veterans' SA was represented by Ms Laura Telford.

Brian Selby recited the ODE and the MC was Paul Tyson OAM

**KAMI JANGAN LUPAKAN**



**Indonesian POWs**

**As a result of 3RAR action  
Sarawak 1965**



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be returned to the sender.....

MEMORIAL SERVICE  
MAJ ROGER BURZACOTT RFD

The service for Roger will be held on Saturday, 20 March, 2021.  
1.30 PM for 2.00 PM, Bldg 34A  
Seating is limited due to COVID-19 restrictions.  
Reserve a seat at [www.trybooking.com/BORHAB](http://www.trybooking.com/BORHAB)  
or  
[www.samrainc.org](http://www.samrainc.org)



42 Royal Marine  
Commando  
  
Borneo  
1963 - 1965



ASSOCIATION AIMS

**COMRADESHIP** for those who served in Malaya, Sabah, Sarawak, Singapore, the Thai-Malay Border, Brunei, the MALAYAN EMERGENCY, the INDONESIAN CONFRONTATION, Deployments post 1966 and with the Rifle Company Butterworth.....

**To ASSIST** members in times of need.

**To REMEMBER** with Pride, Respect and Gratitude, those who made the Supreme Sacrifice in the line of duty and to ensure those who fell are represented on ANZAC Day in Australia and Remembrance Day abroad.

**To PROMOTE** the Association and it's Aims.

**To STRENGTHEN TIES** with Malaysia and Singapore.

THE NATIONAL MALAYA & BORNEO  
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NOTES AND PICS



1 RAR JTC Malaya  
Malayan Emergency 1959

DVA: Your lower back injury has not been  
accepted as it was not service related.

Pilots: We'll see about that.



SUMMER HEAT REMOVED

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Chris Howard

Mention the SA & NT Branch

Chris is a member.....

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\$20.00 for Service ,  
Family and Associate  
\$5.00 for Juniors

Terima kasih...