



# THE OBSERVATION POST

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2016, 50th  
Anniversary of  
CEASE FIRE

**COURAGE**

**MATESHIP**

**PRIDE**

SA NT PATRON HON. HIEU VAN LE AC GOVERNOR OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA  
NATIONAL PATRON MAJ GEN J C HUGHES AO DSO MC



JUNE-JULY 2016



## NOTICES

### VALE

Alan McGregor RAEME \*

### HOSPITAL

### RAP

Aileen Ryan

### WELCOME TO

Rosena & Bill Parsons

Barbara Taylor

Allan McGregor \*

Kim Yeng (Mary) Duthie

Ing-Jon (Darren) Ong

Dr Seng Long Ang

## 50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION

The planning and invitations for the commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Cease Fire and Declaration of the End of the Indonesian Confrontation are in place. Veterans and family members will be arriving in Kuching from 23 August from WA, NSW, SA & NT.



IN MEMORY OF  
THE AUSTRALIAN ARMED FORCES  
WHO PAID THE SUPREME SACRIFICE  
DURING THE INDONESIAN CONFRONTATION  
1962-1966



111 LAA BTRY RAA  
B. ALGAR SW DANKS  
3 RAR  
DJ BRIAN LR DOWNES  
DM MILLANE  
VP VELLA RJ WELAND  
4 RAR  
JW JONES LM O'CARROLL  
RC PATCH VR RICHARDS  
PJ ROBINSON PJJ WEST

SASR  
KA HUDSON RC MONCRIEF  
RA SIGNALS  
KO JOHNSON PH DENNEHY  
RA ENGINEERS  
RN BRIDGLAND AJ  
COLDHAN MC HUTCHINSON  
GF MILLS  
RAAF  
VJ COWAN

LEST WE FORGET

KAMI JANGAN LUPAKAN

29 AUGUST 2016

The Australian High Commission is being represented by LTCOL Stephen Fomiatti, the Assistant Defence Adviser to Malaysia.

SQNLDR Campbell Carroll, RAAF Chaplain will be travelling from the Butterworth RMAF Base.

## SA NT Calendar

2016

### Branch Meetings

are held on the 3rd Friday of the month at  
1100 hrs in the  
RSL AVOCA Hotel from  
19 February plus  
ANZAC Day 25 April...  
SA NT AGM 19 August..

Malaya & Borneo  
Veterans' Day Service  
17 September 2016

Remembrance Day  
11 November

Christmas lunch  
3 or 4 December  
and ESO invites

### Points of Interest...

- Commemorative coins
- War Graves
- Legacy Radio
- Anniversary shirts

### 50TH ANNIVERSARY CEASE FIRE



1966 2016

### INDONESIAN CONFRONTATION

A selection of designs have been compiled for embroidery, or, printing on polo shirts, business shirts and t shirts for members to purchase as a memento of the 50th Anniversary of the CEASE FIRE of the Indonesian Confrontation.....



### 50TH ANNIVERSARY

### CEASE FIRE

INDONESIAN CONFRONTATION  
1966-2016



28 COMMONWEALTH  
B RIGADE

FARELF  
FAR EAST LAND FORCES

17 GURKHA DIVISION

### FSB's CORAL & BALMORAL

Brian Selby attended the VVF annual commemoration service at Warradale for FSB's Coral and Balmoral and also placed the SA NT wreath at the service. The SA Governor, Hieu Van LE AO was the GOH and made a specific speech reflecting on his memories and paid tribute to the Australian armed Forces involved

### COMMEMORATIVE COINS

The omission of the coins for the Malayan Emergency and the Indonesian Confrontation in the April release of 14 x new ANZAC Centenary coins caused a great deal of angst.....both of the campaigns will be with other coins in the May '16 release of the Australia at War series banyak bagusla.....?

### WAR GRAVES

The commemoration details for casualties of WW1 & WW2 can be found on the CWGC web site [www.cwgc.org.au](http://www.cwgc.org.au) For those travelling overseas, OAWG is able to provide grave and memorial details, location of cemeteries, memorials and in many cases, a cemetery plan. Additional info sheets may also be available.



## SA GOVERNOR, SA NT BRANCH PATRON

**The Hon. Hieu Van Le AC**  
hosted Jim Deering,  
Bill Hanson, Roger Burzacott,  
Paul Bayliss, Don Cameron  
and Brian Selby at Government House on Wednesday,  
6 July, for morning tea. The purpose of the visit was to present the Governor with his SA NT Branch Membership Certificate and a NMBVAA Inc plaque. *Banyak bagus...*

L-R Paul Bayliss, Bill Hanson, Hon. Hieu Van Le AC, Brian Selby, Don Cameron, Roger Burzacott, Jim Deering.....



## PLYMPTON-GLENELG

**Saturday, 9 July, 2016**, was the date for a traditional Christmas in July Dinner at the Plympton-Glenelg RSL.....  
50+ members, friends and guests enjoyed baked ham, chicken and roast vegetables as the main with a plum pud and ice cream dessert. A nice Moet Chandon was the lucky door prize and Santa arrived to deliver the raffle prizes.....

## BODY GUARD

“Take one more step hombre”....



“I hope your medical insurance is up to date”.....

## SA NT AGM

Members are invited to attend the 2016 SA NT Branch AGM to be held at the RSL Avoca Hotel on Fri 19th August at 1100 hrs followed by lunch.

All executive and committee positions will be open for nominations. Members are encouraged to nominate for any position.....

*Jampa lagi ....*

## RSL SA BREAKFAST

RSL SA hosted a first time ever breakfast in the Adelaide Convention Centre on 15 April for over 400 guests to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the formation of the RSL.....  
Proceeds are for the continued assistance provided by the RSL for ex service and serving personnel and families with need of help.... Ray Duthie and Brian Selby attended the function...with Tich Tyson and Keith Harrison...*bagusla....*

## RADIO ADELAIDE

**Bill Hanson, Roger Burzacott and Brian Selby** have been interviewed pre and post ANZAC Day respectively by Ken Mathews and Helen Meyers on behalf of Legacy to provide an insight into the history of the Malayan Emergency and the secret war of the Indonesian Confrontation. The program is a weekly segment broadcast on 5UV 101.5 FM and interviews are able to be heard as podcasts.

## FRONTIERSMEN

The SA Company of the Legion of Frontiersmen held an overnight ANZAC Vigil at Henley Grange on 24 April.....the opening and Mounting of the Guard ceremony is a feature of the vigil, and as a supporter of the SA Company, we were invited to attend..... thanks to Bill Hanson for making the time and effort to represent the SA NT Branch...*banyak bagusla....*



## SARAWAK Tour

2016

24 August–1 Sept

KUCHING



## SA & 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 fees** are:

\$20.00 Service,

Associate and Social.

Membership,  
due 1 January.

\$5.00 Junior members. ..

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

## SPECIAL NOTE

**HAPPY 90TH  
BIRTHDAY**

**CAPT. AILEEN RYAN  
RAANC**



From all in the  
SA NT Branch

## DID YOU KNOW

**In the UK** it is legal for all children over 5 yo to drink alcohol in their home...

**The UK and Portugal** have the longest standing alliance which was signed in 1386...

**The British Empire** at it's high point was larger than the African continent.....

**Nigeria** has more English speakers than the UK....

**Queen Mary** of Scotland became queen when she was only 6 days old....

**As well as** the world's fastest trains, the longest bridges, biggest hydro electric systems, **CHINA** has now brought online the world's biggest radio telescope able to see further into the universe than ever before..

**In the UK**, accents change noticeably about every 25 miles.... **And** all horses, ponies and donkeys must have a "Horses passport" .....*Paul Bayliss*....

## RARA SA

The RARA SA AGM was conducted at the RAR SA RSL on Sunday, 10 July at 1130 hrs. All positions have been filled and the executive remains as for the previous 12 months.

20+ members attended the meeting which was followed by a sausage sizzle. Weekly dining is on Friday from 1800 hrs after the Ode.....

## 604 SQN AAFC



**604 Sqn Cadets** have been given approval to travel to Sarawak and mount the Catafalque Party for the 50th Anniversary of the Cease Fire commemoration in Sarawak.

## ROYAL MARINES

**A group of** former Royal Marines who served in 40, 41 and 42 Commando during the Confrontation will be travelling from the UK to join in the Commemoration.



## Back when.....



Sgt Rambahadur Limbu VC  
23 SEPT 1965  
action near Bau, Sarawak

Dry paddies....



4 RAR '66

22 Sqn RAF



Resupply Drop

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## RSL AVOCAS HOTEL

The first SA NT Branch meeting for 2016 was held at the Avoca hotel on 19 Feb

Members in attendance were pleased with the venue and the lunch menu.

Choices include starters, mains and desserts.

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## Sarawak Accommodation

## Kuching Waterfront Lodge

Recommended rustic old world Kuching hotel... aircon, free breakfast, laundry, 24/7 service.

Right on the waterfront and adjacent to main bazaar...

banyak bagusla



Best rates in town...

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## CONFRONTATION

## 50TH ANNIVERSARY

THE ANNIVERSARY IS NOTED FOR MENTION DURING THE DAILY "LAST POST" CEREMONY ON 11 AUGUST AT 1655 HRS AT THE AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

The Minister has indicated he will make a statement in parliament also.

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All original pics and documents will be returned to the sender..... *Ed.*



These two new 50 cent coins were issued by the Royal Australian Mint, Canberra, in May 2016.. They are to commemorate the Australian armed forces engagement in the two post WW2 undeclared wars of the **MALAYAN EMERGENCY 1948 – 1960** and the **INDONESIAN CONFRONTATION WITH MALAYSIA 1962–1966**

**ASSOCIATION AIM**

**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  
VETERANS ASSOCIATION AUSTRALIA  
INCORPORATED**

**NOTES AND PICS**



Rita Hayworth with her



**2016 BBQ Dates**

**24 February**

**22 April**

**28 May**

**24 July**

**7 October**

**0830 start 1600 finish**

Contact Jenny Cameron

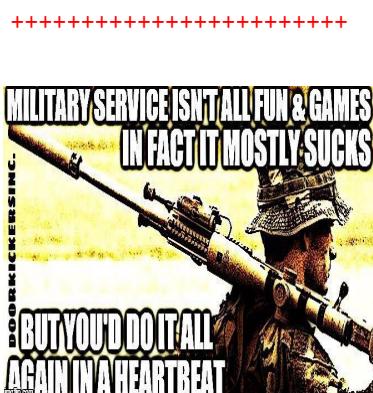
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Dr Andrew Southcott MP

Federal Member for Boothby

*Terima kasih*



1941 Ford Lincoln Continental

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The world's most populated

city is Shanghai with

24,150,000 ; more than the

Australian population.....

The city with the least is the

Vatican with 893.....

**\*\*ANNUAL Subs\*\***

Due from 1 January

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*Terima kasih...*