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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE AIR DISPATCH ASSOCIATION OF
AUSTRALIA

WINTER 2022

President's Report



Hello esteemed Members of the ADAA, associated Veterans, Families and Friends,

Most people began 2022 with optimism, hoping that the year would be without COVID illness and more restrictions. Unfortunately, this has not been the case so far; however, things have improved and are looking a little brighter. The Committee is working hard on constructing a calendar of upcoming events and we really hope that our plans are not hindered by COVID to much in the future. We all must remain on guard for now and look after our families and Association Members as the priority. If ADAA calendar items are cancelled / postponed at short notice, please understand that the decision has not been taken lightly and has been made in the best interests of community safety.

I was sincerely honoured to be entrusted to take over the position of ADAA President at the latest AGM on 24 Apr 2022. Nicko has been a staunch leader and President of the Association that achieved many great things over the past 8 years. His dedication to improve the Association processes, professional management and to create an inclusive Veteran Community has been nothing short of inspirational. He is a revered friend and I expect that he will continue to provide plenty of advice and assistance as we move forward. Nicko has signed off as the current President but will remain on board to help as the 'Past President' when required. Please feel free to ring him at any time.

As the new President I have no desire to implement any great changes and I do not wish to change what I believe the ADAA represents. I have worked alongside Nicko and the Committee for some time now, and respectfully feel that we are already moving in the right direction. I hope to continue the good work and I sincerely hope to provide a consistent approach with some new ideas to ambitiously improve the Members experience and value for money. With the respected assistance of the retained Committee and new Members; Harry Hordern, Rusty Towers and Andy Cornish, I sincerely believe that we will represent the ADAA Members best interests, in an honest and upfront manner at all times.

Most small Veteran Communities like ours are enduring flailing Membership and volunteer support which has seen the downfall of many Associations in the past 10 years, we are not immune to these complex issues. In anticipation of the combined Army Air Dispatch and Parachute Rigger Trades of the future, the Committee identified an opportunity to modernise our Association, grow our membership base and to support our 'Past and Present' Veterans in a new way. The Committee has initiated some early discussions to scope the feasibility of an amalgamation with the Parachute Rigger fraternity. Early discussions have been conducted through open and enthusiastic lenses without any expectations or intention and nothing has

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been proposed or agreed upon. This does not mean that this going to happen and will not progress without the respected consultation of all of our financial members in the future. Any prospective union must be in the best interests of the inclusive Association and will require agreed commitment by all involved. We expect to hold other discussions later on this year, but we do not expect to make any plans for a vote any time soon. We have respectfully invited the Parachute Rigger fraternity to become Members of our Association but have received very few takers thus far.

This year we have been involved in a whole heap of activities including the following:

- ADAA BBQ North Penrith 19 Mar 22 - Organised by Grant Foster.
- Dedication of AMTDU Army Classroom in honour of Colonel Allan Bewley - 21 Apr 22.
- ANZAC Day 2022 25 Apr 22 - Hosted by The City Of Penrith RSL Sub Branch - The ADAA Banner was marched with 'Past and Present' members of 176 AD Sqn and AMTDU.
- ADF Veterans Day, Luddenham Showgrounds 15 May 22 - Hosted by City of Penrith RSL Sub Branch - The ADAA participated in this event and showcased our merchandise and Membership options. It was a hugely successful, social day after a long period with restrictions and isolation away from other alike Community groups.
- RACT 49th Birthday - 01 Jun 22. The 50th Birthday celebrations for 01 Jun 23 are currently being co-ordinated by HOC Cell. We will provide more information as it comes to hand.
- The Great NT Adventure - Kaz, Harry and Foz are currently on a travelling holiday to the NT and surrounds. Check in on the ADAA Facebook page if you want updates and prospective locations to meet up, or standby for a 'Post Activity Report' provided by Harry and Foz upon their return.

Upcoming:

- ADAA BBQ North Penrith 23 Jul 22, organised by Grant Foster.
- The ADAA Annual dinner on 06 Aug 22 get your tickets ASAP – Tickets are available via the ADAA Facebook Page or the following link: <https://www.trybooking.com/BXTN>
- Myola Day 80th year commemoration 03 Aug 2022 – awaiting details from the ADF.
- Possible use of 'Penrith City Council' loan buses (cost is approx. \$85 a day) for Veteran day tours. Possible ventures may include a visit to the HARS Museum, Australian War Memorial ACT, Singleton, Newcastle etc etc. The council busses have not been released for loans due to COVID rules yet, once permitted we will provide more details for your planning.

The ADAA can only ever be as strong as the Membership subscriptions and efforts of our volunteer Committee. Please help out when you can and get involved when able. Please encourage all of your respected friends of the past to get involved and to become financial Members in the future. The ADAA Facebook Page is a great source of information regarding recent and or upcoming events but can be used by anyone to share their adventures. I highly encourage Members to post any ADAA related gatherings or sightings, adventures, camping/fishing trips etc that you feel may be of interest to ADAA Members in the future (no political views, abusive language, profanities, bullying demeaning behaviour or filth).

In closing, I am deeply honoured to be elected as the President of this auspicious Association, I will endeavour to do my utmost in the absolute interests of all of our Members, Families and Friends during my tenure at all times. I hope that with Committee and Membership support we are able to jointly grow and become an even greater Association in the future.

Anthony Eddie
President
01 Jun 22



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Membership Report

Welcome to New Members

Since the last edition of "The Clipped Wings", we have welcomed the following new members to our Association:

ARTHURSON, Kevin

BEATTIE, Kyle

And we have welcomed back:

KAYE, Phillip

Life Members

BABER, Kemm

COLE, Gary

CUTTS, Geoff

EDDIE, Anthony

FERGUSON, David

FOSTER, Grant

GANNON, Barry

HEIDENREICH, Lou

HUTTON, Bob

IRVING, Brian

McCANN, Denis

NICOLAI, Nick

PAPWORTH, Graham

SLEE, Pat

VARLEY, Nev (deceased)

Financial Members

ARGUS, Howard	2024	CORNISH, Andrew	2022
ARMSTRONG, Len	2023	CORNISH, Hannah	2022
ARTHURSON, Kevin	2022	CRAKER, David	2022
ASBURY, Paul	2023	DALTON, Alan	2022
ASHLEIGH, Michael	2022	D'ARCY, Bill	2022
AUSTIN, Karen	2022	DOWD, Anthony	2024
BAINES, Ian	2022	DRAY, Dennis	2023
BARNES, John Cecil	2022	EDDIE, Harrison	2022
BARNES, Pamela	2022	EVANS, John	2022
BARNSELY, Peter	2026	FABISIAK, Henry	2022
BARRETO, Alberto	2022	FARMER, Raymond Colin	2022
BATES, Paul	2023	FEDDERSEN, Brendan	2022
BEATTIE, Kyle	2022	FELKIN, Rosa	2022
BEAVEN, David	2023	FLINT, Bob	2022
BELL, Albert	2022	FRACARO, Lyndon	2023
BLAKELY, Ron	2022	GOAD, David	2022
BLEUEL, Steve	2023	GODDARD, John	2022
BUCHANAN, Graeme	2022	GRIMSHAW, Max	2022
CHRISTIE, Ross	2022	GUSTER, Tony	2023
CLARKE, Andrew	2022	HAMU, Mick	2028
COCHRANE, Dan	2022	HAYES, Bill	2023
COHEN, Peter	2022	HEIDENREICH, Susan	2023
CONWELL, Matt	2022	HEYDON, Terry	2022

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HILL, Brian	2022	OLIVER, Steve	2022
HILSBURG, Stuart	2023	PHANTOMHIVE, Nicholas	2022
HOLDEN, Phil	2022	PRAGNALL, Alan	2022
HOLECEK OAM, Brian	2024	REASON, Terry	2022
HOLMES, Tony	2022	RUSSELL, Carol	2022
HOLT, Ken	2022	RUSSELL, Peter	2022
HORDERN, Anthony	2023	RYMAN, James	2022
HOWES, Alan	2024	SCOTLAND, Jim	2022
HUDDLESTON, John	2024	SLEE, Marlene	2023
HUGHES, Ron	2022	SMITH, Barry	2022
HUXLEY, Glenn	2022	SOLOMON, David	2024
JANSON, Ken	2024	STANFORD, Trevor	2022
JESSOP, Maxwell	2023	SUMNER, John	2023
JOHANSEN, Michael	2023	SVENSSON, Garry	2022
JOLLY, Peter	2022	SWAIN, Mark	2023
KAYE, Phillip	2022	TAYLOR, John	2023
KENNY, Dean	2028	THAMM, Phil	2022
KIRKHAM, Jim	2022	THOMPSON, Gordon	2022
KOOL, Shaun	2022	THURGOOD, John	2022
LESUEUR, Peter	2023	TOWERS, Rosalind	2023
LONERGAN, Michael	2022	TOWERS, Russell	2023
LUSCOMBE, Kerry	2024	WAHLEN, Deborah	2022
MADIGAN, George	2023	WAHLEN, Gary	2023
MARKI, Imre	2022	WAHLEN, Mark	2022
McGRAVIE, Gary	2025	WARD, Robert	2025
McMASTER, Robert	2022	WARE, Stuart	2023
McNAMARA, Ted	2022	WATSON, Keith (deceased)	2022
McNULTY, Anthony	2024	WEIDNER, Edward	2022
McPHERSON, Roger	2023	WEIDNER, Glenda	2022
MILKE, Peter	2022	WHEELER, Ken	2022
MILLER, Eric (Ned)	2022	WHITE, Gary	2022
MITCHELL, Shane	2022	WHITTAKER, John	2026
MOFFITT, Darren	2022	WILLIAMS, John	2022
MOORE, Allan	2022	WILLIAMS, Melva	2022
MUIR, Graeme	2022	WOLFF, Mark	2022
MUNRIGHT, Terry	2022	WORLAND, Kieran	2022
MUNSON, Peter	2024	WRIGHT, Jason	2023
NEWMAN, David	2022	YOUNG, Ian	2022
NICOLAI, Joyce	2023	ZAFFINO, Zeek	2023
O'BRIEN, Danny	2023		

If you don't see your name on this list and believe it should be, or if you think these records are incorrect, please send an email to memberships@adaa.net.au. For those of you that are financial until the end of 2020, an email has been sent reminding you that payment of \$25.00 is required to maintain your membership until the end of 2021. Payment options are included in the Treasurer's report.

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Treasurer's Report

Shown below are movements through each of our bank accounts. These are the figures sent to the Australian Taxation Office when we reported our GST activity for the 1st quarter of this year. If you would like further information, please send your request to me by email, treasurer@adaa.com.au.

There were no changes to the Grants account. The balance for this is \$317.67.

Memberships for 2022 are overdue. If you are not sure when you are paid up to, check the membership list. For those that need to pay, here are your payment options:

Online by bank transfer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Westpac Banking Corporation• BSB 032-814• Account number 485891 In the name of 'Air Dispatch Association Administration Account'• Use your surname and initial (or regimental number if we have it on file) as your reference
Deposit over the counter at any Westpac Bank.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• As the bank does not allow any letter in the payee's details, use your regimental number as a reference, and, if we don't have it on file, send me an email with the details of the date, branch and amount of your payment
You may also be able to deposit at the Post Office, but fees may be payable	
By cheque or money order	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Made payable to 'Air Dispatch Association of Australia'• Post to PO Box 142, Old Bar NSW 2430
Online by credit card	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If this is your payment choice, send me an email so that I can set you up with this facility. Credit card charges will be passed on to you when I send out your invoice

Regards

Joyce Nicolai

ADMINISTRATION			
Bank Account Opening Balance	1-Jan-22		14,950.26
Income			
	GST refund	122.00	
	Memberships	1,050.00	
Total Income			1,172.00
Expenses			
	Office supplies	14.95	
	Postage	13.20	
	Presentation Oberon RSL - print	17.39	
	Website and emails	121.00	
Total Expenses			-166.54
Bank Account Closing Balance	31-Mar-22		15,955.72

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Treasurers Report Cont.

FUNDRAISING

Bank Account Opening Balance	1-Jan-22		5,383.88
Income			
	Barbeque sales	1,215.00	
	Donations	1,831.35	
Total Income			3,046.35
Expenses			
	Barbeques purchases	603.41	
Total Expenses			-603.41
Bank Account Closing Balance	31-Mar-22		7,826.82

MERCHANDISE

Bank Account Opening Balance	1-Jan-22		2,703.28
Income			
	Postage recovered	64.90	
	Sales	609.42	
Total Income			674.32
Expenses			
	Postage	12.35	
	Purchases	2,296.80	
	Stock write-off	17.39	
Total Expenses			-2,326.54
Bank Account Closing Balance	31-Mar-22		1,051.06

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Fundraising

Upcoming Dates for our Bunnings Sausage Sizzles

Thanks to the efforts of Grant Foster, we have secured another bunnings sausage sizzle fundraiser on

Saturday 23rd July at Bunnings North Penrith.

As always to make these fund-raising events work, we need volunteers to man the tongs and help out. If you would like to come along for a shift, please contact "Grant Foster" (see contact details on last page). We would really like to see some fresh faces giving up a few hours of their time.



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Naming of AMTDU classroom Dedicated to Allan Bewley



Born on 8th June 1925, Alexander (Allan) Bewley enlisted into the Citizen Military Forces (Militia) in February 1942 prior to joining the Australian Imperial Force in 1943. He was promoted up the ranks to Warrant Officer Class One prior to commissioning as an Officer in April 1953. He served throughout his career in the Royal Australian Army Service Corps (RAASC) and Royal Australian Corps of Transport (RACT).

Allan Bewley was posted to a breadth of logistics units throughout his career inclusive of Newcastle Covering Force Supply Company, Ambulance Convoys, 253 Supply Depot Company, Force Field Bakery Platoon and 101 Supply Depot Platoon. He was entrusted to headquarters positions including HQ 41 Australian Advanced Supply Depot, HQ Advanced Supply Depot and HQ Tasmania Command Troops. In 1962, MAJ Bewley was seconded to the Office of the Military Attaché, Washington. On return from the United States, MAJ Bewley's recommendations were fundamental in shaping the future air drop capability within the Australian Defence Force.

In 1964, MAJ Bewley was integral to the Type II modular platform introduction into service with a successful air drop of an 8' platform loaded with ½ Ton Trailer complete with simulated ammunition from a C130A Hercules Aircraft. The Type 5 Airdrop Platform was introduced much later in the mid 1990's upon his initial work and new capabilities developed by the US.

He held numerous command appointments; notably appointed as the Officer Commanding of Air Movements Training Flight in 1962, Commanding Officer of 1st Army Air Supply Organisation in October 1965, appointed as the Commanding Officer of the 1st Ground Liaison Group in January 1969, appointed as the Commanding Officer of the 9th Supply and Transport Column in February 1972 and a second appointment as Commanding Officer of the 1st Ground Liaison Group in December 1973.

Over the period of 1943 to 1970, he was deployed on a diverse range of Operations predominantly in the South West Pacific and actively served overseas during World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. During this time he deployed to New Guinea, Bougainville, Morotai, Japan, Singapore, United States of

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America and Vietnam. He received the following honours and awards; Pacific Star, War Medal and Australian Service Medal 1939-1945, Australian Active Service Medal 1945-75 with clasps Malaya and Vietnam, United Nations Service Medal (Korea), Vietnam Logistics and Support Medal, Australian Service Medal 1945-75 with clasps PNG, SW Pacific, Japan and SE Asia, Defence Force Service Medal with First, Second and Third clasps, National Medal with First Clasp, Australian Defence Medal, Pingat Jasa Malaysia and Returned from Active Service Badge.

He led the multi-modal NSW celebrations for the formation of the Royal Australian Corps of Transport at Rose Bay, Sydney Harbour in June 1973. After 33 years of active service Lieutenant Colonel Bewley retired in June 1975. Following his retirement he was appointed Colonel Commandant of the Royal Australian Corps of Transport from 1979 to 1983. Colonel Allan Bewley was regarded as the grandfather of RACT Air Dispatch and one of the Army's foremost experts in air supply and Army to Air Force cooperation. The Air Dispatch trade greatly benefitted from his contributions in a period of dynamic development. Allan Bewley's legacy will remain well into the future as a pioneer and leader of Army capability. He was a stalwart whose career spanned three major conflicts, he offered unwavering service in a time of great change and uncertainty. On 21 Apr 22, AMTDU and the Air Dispatch Association of Australia jointly dedicated this classroom in honour of Colonel Allan Bewley. We should always remember that 'he was truly 'Par Oneri de Caeleo' ('equal to the task from the sky').



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ORDER OF THE DAY TO THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN CORPS OF TRANSPORT 1 JUNE 2022

Today marks the 49th birthday of the Royal Australian Corps of Transport. As your Head of Corps, I am immensely proud of the commitment, dedication and professionalism demonstrated by Corps members over the past twelve months, building on our strong heritage of being *Par Oneri* – Equal to the Task.

Our Corps has been strongly represented in the complex operational and exercise environments that the Australian Defence Force has been engaged in across the past year. Corps members have been deployed on overseas deployments including Op TONGA ASSIST, with many more deployed across Australia on Op COVID ASSIST, Op AGED CARE ASSIST and Op FLOOD ASSIST as well as concurrently supporting domestic exercises. Despite the unique and difficult tasks presented in each of these environments, Corps members have continued to demonstrate they are pro-active, innovative and motivated to meet all challenges.

Last month a number of Corps members had the opportunity to meet our Colonel-in-Chief, Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal. Within the schedule of her Australian visit, Her Royal Highness was keenly interested in our Corps, personally engaging with Corps members and noting the new capabilities that have been approved by Government for realisation within the Royal Australian Corps of Transport over the next decade.

We have much to look forward to as a Corps, building on our demonstrated strengths to adapt as strategic circumstances and Army's requirements change. Our Corps' 50th birthday next year is a significant milestone and presents the opportunity to commemorate 50 years of distinguished service to the nation while also looking forward to ensure that as a Corps we always remain Equal to the Task. I am pleased to announce that our 50th birthday commemorations will be focussed around two events: a Corps Parade at Puckapunyal on 1 June 2023 and a Last Post Ceremony at the Australian War Memorial on 1 December 2023; with regional and trade commemorations also planned.

I close by thanking each of you for your daily contribution to the service that our Corps has given and continues to give to Army and our Nation. This is a shared commitment with your loved ones and friends and I acknowledge the close support that enables each of us.

It is a pleasure to serve with each of you and I wish you all a happy 49th Corps Birthday!

Par Oneri

Suzanne Graham CSC
Brigadier
Head of Corps

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History

176 AD SQN Pelican Mascot

What is a Mascot?

A person, animal or object that is supposed to bring good luck, especially one linked to a particular organization or event.

What is a Defence Mascot?

The Australian Defence Force uses mascots, also known as ceremonial pets or regimental mascots. These mascots are usually animals that have been chosen by a Unit to represent them. Military mascots bring a sense of pride to a unit and they can be of great value or morale to Australian Soldiers, just like the World War One dogs that were adopted by the Australian Defence Force and sent to the trenches, which now in our current day, have served alongside Australian Troops once again in Afghanistan.

Why the Pelican Mascot?

The Ratel call sign for Head Quarters 1st Army Air Supply Organisation (HQ 1ASSO) and 1st Air Transport Support Regiment (1 ATSR) is "Pelican." "Pelican" came from the name of the helipad that was used at Nui Dat, meaning "small hill." It was a former 1st Australian Task Force (1 ATF) base used in the South Vietnam War.

When 9th Force Support Battalion (9 FSB) inherited 176 AD SQN (ARA) and 177 AD SQN (Ares) the Officer commanding (OC) at the time, Major Greg Eggins, was asked what the unit mascot was. After some thought the response was the pterodactyl because it was a fierce looking bird that no other bird could contend with and the pterodactyl was one of the only birds capable of killing and eating a camel, elephant or other larger animal. A later and less confrontational OC, deemed that the mascot was inappropriate and decided that the Pelican would be a more modern and suitable animal.

History of the Pelican Mascot

A Pelican from Taronga Zoo was sponsored by 176 AD SQN, whilst the dates are unknown, Taronga Zoo to this day, has the 176 AD SQN plaque next to the Pelican enclosure and 2 Troop is currently awaiting a response from Taronga Zoo. The pelican died in 2006.

In the passing of the pelican, 176 AD SQN purchased two concrete pelicans and they were spaced out either side of the flagpole. At the end of 2007, three privates from 3 Troop kidnapped one of the concrete pelicans, from the left side of the flagpole. Photos were taken and a ransom message was sent to the OC 176 AD SQN stating; "if you call the cops, the Pelican gets it." The photo detailed a blindfolded concrete pelican with a bayonet held to it's throat. Later that week, OC 176 AD SQN, MAJ Basett received ransom demands for one day of leave and a packet of tim tams. The ransom was paid but upon trying to return the beloved pelican back to headquarters, the pelican was dropped. This resulted in the concrete pelican having died from decapitation. A small ceremony was held for the mascot and a cross was placed on the left side of the flag pole where the mascot lived. Overtime the cross was removed and the pelican was placed on top of the roof at headquarters, near the Ord Rm opposite of where it was placed beside the flagpole.

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176 AD SQN Pelican Mascot Cont.

Another Sponsorship of the Pelican

From 2010 to 2011 176 AD SQN sponsored two Pelicans from Featherdale Wildlife Park in Doonside, NSW. There is also limited information about the status of the sponsorship.

Present Day Pelican

In 2021 the last remaining concrete Pelican was removed from the roof of 176 AD SQN and relocated to the back of the Myola Club where it sits today.



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Warning Order

Annual Aussie Red Hat Chapter Reunion

6:00 PM 6th August 2022

The Air Dispatch Association of Australia (ADAA) is an approved 'Not For Profit' organisation that raises money with the aim to support the inclusive veteran community mainly, but not exclusively to the Army Air Dispatch and Parachute Rigger Trades. Coordinating and subsidising the cost of attendance to the Annual Dinner is a Committee objective. The immediate aim of this annual dinner is to promote ADF Aerial Delivery Veteran community unity and inclusiveness.

Location: Panthers World of Entertainment - 'The Ron Mulock Room'

123 Mulgoa Road, Penrith NSW 2750

Follow the link to purchase tickets

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=874425&>



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St Mary's Outpost

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ADF



Veterans' Centre

Total commitment to the Veteran community

DVA Enquiries and Claims

Our experienced Advocates will assist with enquiries and claims with DVA for all members of ADF past and present

Welfare

Our dedicated Welfare Officers visit the sick in hospitals and nursing homes in the area.

Funerals

Our Funeral team represent the RSL at funerals and conduct the poppy service for all ADF members at the family's request.

Drop In Centre

Our Drop In Centre is truly one of a kind. Please feel free to pop in and have a cuppa and a chat with other like minded people.

Merrie Widows

Being a partner of a veteran is a unique experience. Our Merrie Widows group meet



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INVITATION

TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED (TPI'S)
& SPECIAL RATE (SRD) VETERANS

THE BLACKTOWN & DISTRICT TPI SOCIAL & WELFARE CLUB'S MEMBERS
INVITE TPI'S/SPECIAL RATE (SRD) TO COME AND EXPERIENCE OUR CLUB,
THE CLUB MEETS AT 1:00 PM THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT CLUB BLACKTOWN
(Formally the RSL Club)

THIS INVITATION STANDS FOR OUR GENERAL MEETINGS

Prior to the monthly General Meeting's, members and wives/carers meet in the Villaggio
Restaurant to Socialise. (About 11:45am)

Meetings are held in a room set aside on the day.

Post meeting members are treated to cold or hot drinks, comradeship and socializing in the
Villaggio Restaurant.

*If attending a meeting contact Ian Brady ibrady@bigpond.net.au to arrange a member to
meet & greet you or just "walk in"*

The Club is the most active TPI Social & Welfare Club in the state, with a different activity each
month which could be a meet at a point of interest/event or a day Coach Trip.

Social events are subsidised

Longer 3 day country tours are also conducted once per year.

The purpose of this invitation is to encourage TPI's to join our club and participate and socialise

You are encouraged to join the TPI Association of NSW to give it strength in numbers when
dealing with Government.

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Interest

Bar Runners Artwork

Foz has been busy putting together the artwork for bar runners. These bar runners are rubber backed and measure 880mm x 240mm.

Below are the draft designs for these items

We need to sell about 50 of each to cover our set up costs.

We estimate the runners will be about \$20.00 each plus \$12.55 postage both of them

At this stage, we are only looking at expressions of interest so if you want one, let us know.

Below is the draft artwork



If you are interested in purchasing any of these, contact Anthony Eddie by email president@adaa.net.au

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Interest

Metal Artwork

As printed in the last issue of the Clipped Wings, we have been in contact with an organisation who does metalwork military designs for both wall hangings and firepits. The firepits are yet to be designed.

The association has commissioned this organisation to produce the artwork and computer program to create the following designs

1. A Rising Sun Badge
2. An AD Brevet
3. Basic Paratrooper Wings, and
4. 3 RAR Paratrooper Wings

These designs are cut from 3mm steel plate and powder coated in black.

Each individual wall hanging to be \$115.00

Plus, Postage

We need to sell about 35 wall hangings to cover our set up costs.

Below is the draft artwork



If you are interested in purchasing any of these, contact Rusty Towers by email merchandise@adaa.net.au

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Interest

The ADAA committee is continually striving to promote our association and offer incentives for its members.

At our AGM on 24 April 21, we unveiled 'The Australian Army Air Dispatcher'. This artwork was the brainchild of our Vice President (VP), Anthony Eddie, who realised many other military units had this style of art and we did not want to be left behind.

The ADAA commissioned Mrs Tamara Telly, who, whilst in lockdown during the Covid crisis produced this brilliant piece of art. The original was completed using coloured pencils from photographs supplied by the VP. The print depicts different aircraft and air resupply methods used by Air Dispatchers since our inception.



There have been 100 Limited Edition prints produced and a good percentage of them have been purchased already. If you would like one of these excellent pieces of artwork, they can be purchased on-line through our website.

Cost for financial members is \$30.00

Cost for non-financial members \$40.00

Registered post within Australia \$18.95

Postage overseas to be advised

Be quick to secure a copy of this Limited-Edition artwork.

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RAR Printing Merchandise

For the benefit of ADAA financial members. Rick Porter, from RAR printing, is a local ex 176 AD Sqn Truckie and Infanteer from 5/7 RAR back in the day. He has a growing list of ADAA merchandise that looks great and can be ordered directly through his website (see link below).

https://rarprinting.com/search?q=adaa*



A special 'financial members' discount code for 10% off your purchase

ADAA10



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Vale

Keith Raymond Watson

19 March 1943 – 13 March 2022



Keith was born in Hammersmith, London in 1943 to parents Robert and Annie Watson.

He completed both his primary and secondary years of education whilst living in England.

At age 18, he sailed from the UK on a vessel called the “Orion”, landing in Fremantle on 1 July 1961. He remained with the ship and disembarked in Sydney residing in the Sydney area.

Keith married Joyce Brown on 9 August 1972 at the Sydney Registry Office. They had three sons. In 1978; the family settled in Werrington County.



Keith had a number of jobs in his early life but his passion for cars, in particular Ford, turned into a working career as a Motor Mechanic. Keith was in REAME and served in the Army Reserve for 25 years with units such as 1/15 RNSWL and 177 AD Sqn, reaching the rank of Corporal. He was also an officer in the Cadet Corps.

He was a quiet homely man, with a wild sense of humour. Keith is survived by his wife Joyce, sons Ian, Daryl and Raymond. He had six grandchildren, Samantha, Cassandra, Natalie, Dylan, Sophie and Thomas



Keith and Trevor Blacklock catch up for a smoke



People say “It’s a small world”. How true. It turns out that Keith’s wife, Joyce and Joyce Nicolai, the ADAA Treasurer, are distant cousins. They caught up at the Myola Ball at Panthers for the first time in 2019 and have kept in contact since.

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