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2/10 Light Battery Trivia Night

Was held again this year at Monash Barracks South Dandenong.

Berwick RSL Strikes Again

The team, "Back - to - Back" from the Berwick RSL, and again led by Brendan Simons, won the night and became "Back to Back" winners as predicted by the team name. Other teams considered Brendan to be a bit presumptuous with his selection of the team name. **Wrong!!** A very enjoyable time was had by all.

The drinks were cheap, the nibbles were good and the company was pleasant.

Annual General Meeting

A new format of combining the AGM and St Barbara's Day on the same day was tried in 2016.

The feedback received so far from the general membership is in favour of this idea.

The results of the elections for the 2017 Committee are:

MAJ Neil Hamer
President Membership
MAJ Merv Taggart
Vice President
LT Sandra Hodgson

Secretary

BDR James Overell

Treasurer

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Member Assistant Secretary

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Member Assistant Treasurer

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MAJ Carl Sarelius

Member Webmaster

Mrs Rachel Decker

Members

Ex-Officio

2/10 LT BTY BC or representative

COLCOMDT

Regimental/Battalion Postings

CO 5/6 RVR

LTCOL Joshua Jardine

RSM 5/6 RVR

WO1 Damian Perdon

BC 2/10 LT BTY

MAJ Reed Powney

St Barbara's Day 2017

At this stage it is intended to conduct the AGM and St Barbara's Day at Sargood Barracks in a similar format to 2016 on Sunday 3 Dec 2017. Final arrangements will

be made after consultation with the recently appointed senior officers.

Anzac Day 2017

Tuesday 25 Apr 2017 at Sargood Barracks. Gunfire Breakfast followed by ANZAC Day Service followed by breakfast. Service to commence at 0545.

Other Items

Golf Day

The RAA Assoc golf day will be held at the Berwick Montuna Golf Club, 335 Beaconsfield Emerald Road Guys Hill 3807 on Sunday 26 Mar 2017.

Tee time 0915 hrs.

Lunch will be available In the Clubhouse.

Further information: 0419 533 067

Salutes

Salutes are fired at the Shrine of Remembrance on Australia Day, Queen's Birthday and Remembrance Day.

Gunner Symposium

It is intended to continue with holding the Gunner Symposiums this year. At this time final details are not available.

Live Firing Visit

2/10 LT BTY will be participating in a live firing activity 7-8 Apr 2017. A visit by Association members could be arranged. Expressions of interest to MAJ Neil Hamer as soon as possible as numbers may be limited. Contact as per Letterhead.

Attachments

The Royal United Services Institute of Victoria Library Open Day

Royal Australian Artillery Association (Victoria) Inc Parade Card 2017

Your Input to this newsletter would be appreciated.

If any member has an article, report on an activity, photos of interest, or general comments please forward them to:

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As space is limited, longer articles will be forwarded to the new Editor of Cascabel for inclusion in the magazine.



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LIBRARY OPEN DAY - ALL GUNNERS INVITED THURSDAY 23 March 2017 at 1430 hrs.

The RUSI Victoria library has an unparalleled collection of artillery books, publications and printed material that will excite the interest of gunners young and old.

Until now, this unique collection has been restricted behind the bluestone walls of Victoria Barracks Melbourne,

By special arrangements, it is now proposed that all gunners both serving and retired shall enjoy access on this occasion to view some rare and historic gunner history.

The President, Major General Mike O'Brien, CSC will conduct a guided tour of the collection and give insights into the manner in which this valuable collection is catalogued, managed and preserved.

Defence security requires that all visitors to Victoria Barracks be personally identified and suitably authorised, so it is necessary that you email the Secretary on secretary@rusivic.org.au or call Bob Hart on 9282 5918 by Monday 20th March to advise your intention to attend.

To facilitate entry to the restricted area, please remember to bring your photo identification (drivers licence)

Items available for inspection will include.

- An original diagram for an artillery barrage in support of an allied attack at Passchendaele,
- * The history of the Honourable Artillery Company in the Great War
- * Standing order for Dress Regulation etc for the Artillery 1864.
- Pamphlet- Artillery Training Vol 11- Gunnery 1934

Plus much, much more, including regimental histories, technical equipment and ammunition development journals, war histories and personal records.

All gunners welcome to this absorbing and revealing experience.

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PARADE CARD 2017

JANUARY		FEBRUARY		
	12	Committee Meeting		

	MARCH
1	RAA Luncheon
12	Committee Meeting
23	RUSI Library Open
	Day - Vic Barracks
26	RAA Golf Day

	APRIL		MAY		JUNE
8/9	2/10 Live Firing (TBC)	14	Committee Meeting	7	Reservists Luncheon (TBC)
9	Committee Meeting			11	Committee Meeting
25	ANZAC Day				

	JULY		AUGUST		SEPTEMBER
2	Reserve Forces Day (TBC)	13	Committee Meeting	10	Committee Meeting
9	Committee Meeting				

	OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		DECEMBER
8	Committee Meeting	12	Committee Meeting	3	A.G.M
				3	St Barbaras Day & Church parade/2/10 Lt Bty Family Day TBC
				ТВА	Committee Christmas Break up