2019 Anzac Day Bendigo

Forming up for the start of the 2018 Anzac Day March.

We will again march in Bendigo behind our Association Banner. If you are able to march for this year then please let Tracey or Gary know. SEE you there!
Tracey, BJ and Sherri looking the part before the march

Another Cuskelley combination

Terry Danger, Rhys Delaine, Jeff Willey and Paul Davis
Afterwards at the Bendigo RSL for lunch

The Bendigo dawn Service commences at 0600hrs at the Bendigo Cenotaph. For those wishing to march at that service, form-up is at 0540hrs at the Memorial Hall. This is followed by a “Gunfire breakfast” back at the Soldier’s Memorial Hall.

**WARNING: 2019 Change, Change, Change!!!!!!!**

Our form-up point for 2019 will be different this year. We will form up with Delta Company in Hargreaves Street near the Town Hall. **Members are asked to be at this location by NLT 1010hrs on Thursday 25 April, step off at 1030hrs.** Members are requested to wear medals and some form of Survey Corps apparel. You are encouraged to wear a beret.

A shorter march is planned this year. We will march down to the Soldier’s Memorial Hall via Bull Street and Pall Mall. Chairs will be available for those wishing to, or those needing them for the Memorial Service.

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**ANZAC Day 2019 Order of March Layout**

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Hargreaves Street  
Echo Company  

Bendigo Town Hall  

Hargreaves Street  

Charlie Company  

Bull Street  

Bravo Company  

Delta Company

EXFORTUNA SURVEY PARADE STEP OFF AT: 1030hrs

Direction of March

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Pall Mall
Following the march and service, it is planned that the group would re-deploy to the **Bendigo RSL Entertainment Complex**, Havilah Road for lunch and refreshments.

For Information:

**Bendigo RSL Policy Statement: Non-Veteran participation in ANZAC Day marches**

The following policy has been adopted in respect to ANZAC Day marches to Commemorative Services in Bendigo and Eaglehawk. It does not apply to Dawn Services.

Participants should be aware that the consensus of returned servicemen and women is that they be allowed to retain the integrity of marching units for as long as possible.

Bendigo District RSL welcomes non-veteran (civilian) participation in the ANZAC Day March strictly on the following basis:

- Veterans should march with the appropriate service group as listed in the Order of March.
- Veterans may be accompanied by one carer if needed, and that carer must be of an age where they can directly assist the veteran if required.
- Veterans having difficulty completing the March must fall out of the March, to enable the March to continue. Marshals should be contacted promptly if medical assistance is required.

Next of Kin (NOK) may march in place of deceased veterans on the following conditions:

- NOK should march at the rear of the appropriate service group as listed in the Order of March.
- NOK representation is limited to 1 per veteran.
- NOK representatives must be dressed appropriately and are to wear medals on the right breast. The carrying of pictures of relatives is not supported.

**2019 Anzac Day - 3 Aust Field Survey Coy AIF**

An invitation is extended to all members of the Survey Corps to join with the members of 3 Aust Field Survey Coy AIF for the 2019 Anzac Day march in Melbourne. If you are in Melbourne and intend to march then: Please Contact Pat Hogan 9885 3849 or Fred Laverick 9689 4715 or Bill Black 0418339523.
The dawn service at the Shrine of Remembrance is held at dawn at about 0600hrs. It is suggested that attendees use public transport. Eight large screens will help show the proceedings. The march on Thursday 25 April commences from the form-up location and proceeds down St Kilda road for about 1 km to the Shrine. The form-up position is with the 1 Corps of 2AIF and is located on the East side of Swanston Street between Flinders Street and Flinders Lane, See the attached map. The step off time for the Survey Group is thought to be approximately 0930hrs so that anyone wishing to participate should be there by 0915hrs.
Directly after the march, 3 Aust Field Survey Coy AIF move to the Survey Corps Tree located on the Western side of the Shrine and hold a short commemorative service. Following the service members move to the Survey Corps lunch and (possibly a well deserved beer). Unfortunately the “Bull and Bear Tavern” the usual venue for lunch has closed so that the lunch and get together is this year is again at the “Charles Dickens Tavern” Block Arcade, 290 Collins Street, Melbourne. If there is anyone who is not able to make the march you are more than welcome to join them for lunch, however please let them know of your intention for catering reasons. The venue is open from approximately 1100hrs, however the marchers will probably not get back there from the march until about 1300hrs. Contact Pat Hogan 9885 3849, Fred Laverick 9689 4715 or Bill Black 0418393523. Lunch will be at your own expense.

Dress for the march would generally be neat casual or better and include medals. Survey Corps or Survey Association badges/ ties and in particular berets (either purple or blue) are strongly encouraged.

VALE

3788404 Cpl Lindsay Clive Rotherham

Lindsay unfortunately lost his battle with cancer in January this year aged 73. Condolences to his family. Lindsay served 20 Apr 66 – 19 Apr 68 and went to Vietnam with the Survey Troop twice as a specialist screen printer. I am please to report that a number of Survey Corps members were able to attend his funeral on Friday 25 Jan 2019.

Vietnam Screen Printer Dec-Feb 66 and Jul –Mar 67

“Lindsay started wood turning around 13 years ago and described himself as a frustrated artist. He was a screen printer by trade and a graphic designer and wanted to find a medium that he could express himself in. He always felt that timber was so tactile and when a friend of his up in the bush invited him to come and do some wood turning with him Lindsay jumped at the opportunity and has never looked back since. Lindsay was a true artist. As you got to know him you realized that he is a very talented man with many feathers to his bow. He paints, carves, turns – in fact I think he will have a go at anything especially when it comes to wood. “He came to be a specialist artisan wood turner.

Some of his works are shown below:
V500268, VP32007, 31170, WO2 SHANNON DEREK
His enlistment date is unknown, however he was a Sapper at LHQ Cartographic Company in 1942 when it arrived at Fortuna. He was discharged on 22 Apr 1964

(31 July 1921 – 13 January 2019)

“SHANNON. Derek Sadly missed, will be our father, but we were blessed he lived for 97 & 1/2 wonderful years. Daughter Sue and Glenn. Son Chris and Jaquie. Son Lynton and Skye.”

Derek was farewelled by a very large number of family and friends on 22 January at Dandenong. Gary Warnest represented the Corps. Sue Shaw a family friend, the daughter of Nancy and Ken Shaw was also in attendance. Derek and Rosemary Bowman were in attendance at the 100th Anniversary Function at Fortuna in 2015 being the last remaining members of LHQ Carto Coy.

Derek was a cartographer and a very talented artist in his own right and it would not have been surprising if he had been part of the Arthur Boyd artistic group that were at Fortuna at the time. Derek was an instructor at Balcombe before his retirement.

Derek’s first wife, Doreen Williamson who also served at Fortuna in the LHQ Carto Coy passed away in January 2015 aged 89.

Doreen – D F Williamson VF 512629
Breaking News!!!

Daryn Radford Informed us on facebook that:

COL Shaun Hoffmann, BRIG designate Dec 2019. Shaun will be taking up the position of Director General Land Manoeuvre Systems in Melbourne. He is currently in the US attending the National Defence University.

The last person who has been RASvy to be promoted to BRIG was back in 1976? A fantastic achievement and well deserved.

Congratulations to Shaun from all the members of the Royal Australian Survey Corps family.

Shaun’s facebook response:

Thank you everyone for your kind regards. Its certainly a great honour to be entrusted by Army to take over as DGLMS at the end of the year. I never thought for one moment as a very young LT at the Army Survey Regiment in 1991 that I would be in this position 28 years later. In those days I was just happy to survive as a young naive subbie! Thanks again. Cheers Shaun