From the President’s Chair

G’day fellow members, This should be my last report as your President; I said at our last AGM that 2015/2016 would be my last, as I get my OBE on the 17th December. I hope someone is going to take up the reins as it would be disastrous if no one would be part of the committee. All of the committee members (Except for Vince Greck) are over seventy. And it is time younger members took over. You will find an application for committee in this issue of the National Newsletter. The application must be in the Secretary’s hands fourteen days before the AGM, which is the twenty seventh of August.

On a happier note, we have not lost any of our members since my last report, Kevin Mitchell and Lloyd Mitchell are not travelling too well also Tom Caldwell, give them a ring and cheer them up. The phone number for Bruno Sneddon’s room at the nursing home, which was in the last issue was wrong, the right number is; 02 4970 5380.

The committee is getting quotes for three new banners, one each for Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne. There will be two new battle honours added, Timor Leste and Afghanistan. The purchase of these items will be at considerable cost, so if any member would like to make a donation towards these banners, it would be much appreciated.

Don’t forget, 2017 is the National Gunner Dinner at Caloundra, visit the Australian Artillery Association web site for details, I have booked a table for the Association, so if you want to sit with the ‘A’ Bty Assn, let them know when you make the booking. The dinner is on the 27th May, this is too early to hold our AGM at that time so the committee is looking at holding the Reunion at the re-vamped Coach House, Maroochydore.

Our Annual General Meeting and Reunion is approaching fast, if you intend to come along and join your old comrades for the three days at Sawtell, make your booking with your money to the secretary (hey that’s me) before the 2nd September, or you will miss out. Once again costs are: - Friday 9th, Meet & Greet, 1800hrs for 1830, Oasis Bar, Cost $24.00. Saturday 10th, 1000hrs, Annual General Meeting, Board Room or Cocktail Annex. Lunch; own responsibility, Saturday Evening, Semi Formal Dinner, 1800hrs for 1830hrs, Norm Roland Lounge, coat, tie and miniature medals are to be worn. Cost $46.00. Sunday 11th; we must have forty people who want breakfast for the RSL to provide this service, if you pay for breakfast and it is not provided, then you will be refunded and it will be up to you to buy your own breakfast from one of the lovely alfresco café’s in the main street. Cost $22.00. Bus Trip. We are going for a trip to Glenreagh, this will include Morning Tea, a visit to The Big Banana and Sealy Lookout and we will be having Lunch at the Golden Dog hotel. Cost $40.00. Farewell Dinner, Oasis Bistro, 1830hrs for 1900hrs, select from menu. Cost $30.00. Cost all functions. $162.00. Remember money has to be sent to me by the 2nd September.

We have several new members, and they are Terry Barrett, Jack Glidden, James Bell, David Smith and Craig Petersen. For the people who pay annually, your subs are now due, still only$20.00, or if you want to forget annual subs, become a paid Life Member for $200.00. If there are any yearly subscribers and you have been a financial member for the last five years and you have turned eighty, please let me know and we will make you an Honorary Life Member.

I hope we have a great attendance at the reunion and if there are any ex artillery members who would like to come and join us, you are very welcome, this includes our attached personnel, e.g.; RAEME, Medical, Catering. I would like to extend a special invitation to the Officers and Men of ‘A’ Battery to attend.

That’s all from me, see you at Sawtell. Tex
Our Annual General Meeting and Reunion is at Sawtell RSL, NSW.

Hoping for a big response, especially from our Vietnam boys and partners.
The Reunion will be from Friday 9th until the evening of Sunday 11th September 2016.
The Programme and Cost for the Reunion are:

**Friday 9th:** Meet and Greet, 1800hrs for 1830hrs, Oasis Bar Sawtell RSL. Cost $24.00

**Saturday 10th:** Annual General Meeting, 1000 hrs. Board Room or Cocktail Annex.
Saturday Lunch: own responsibility.
Saturday Evening: Semi Formal Dinner, 1800 hrs for 1830 hrs, Norm Roland Lounge, coat, tie and miniature medals to be worn. Cost $46.00.

**Sunday 11th:** Recovery Breakfast, 0800hrs, Dining Room, Cost $20.00. We must have 40 people who want breakfast for the RSL to provide this service, if you pay for breakfast and it is not provided then you will be refunded and you may buy your own breakfast from one of the lovely alfresco restaurants in the main street. Cost $22.

**Bus Trip.** We are going for a trip to Glenreagh, this will include morning tea, a visit to the Big Banana and Sealy Lookout and we will be having lunch at the GGolden Dog Hotel. Cost $40.

**Farewell Dinner, Oasis Bistro, 1830 hrs for 1900 hrs, select from the menu. Cost $30.**

**Cost of all functions, $162.**

Remember money has to be sent to Tex by 2nd. September, cheques to be made out to the ‘A’ Field Battery Association Inc.

Alternatively you can pay into Heritage Bank A/C no. 8732884 S21 BSB code 638-070.

Make sure you identify deposit with your name.

**Please do it NOW !!**

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PLENTY MORE

Sawtell RSL Club is a bright and colourful meeting place for Members and their guests. open daily from 10 am Facilities include a vast variety of Dining alternatives, Oasis Bistro open every day for lunch (noon to 2pm)& dinner (6.30 to 8.30pm). Indoor and Outdoor lounge areas and a Family friendly atmosphere.
In the February newsletter Tex mentioned that Allan (Bruno) Sneddon is in an aged care facility at Bayside Aged Care, Room 11, 136 Marconi Road Bonnells Bay, NSW.

Tex mentioned that if you were in the vicinity you could go and pay him a visit. He would love to see you, he has had Parkinson’s Disease for the past twenty years and is still going strong. June Sneddon has sent an email saying that Tex’s note in the newsletter produced some results shortly after. Kim McGrath was one who visited him with some photos.

June informs us that they have finally got a phone connected into Bruno’s room the number is 02 4970 5380 for anyone who would like to give him a call. June says that Allan is a bit slow in answering and not always in his room but she is sure that he would love to hear from old gunners.

The reason that the above information on Bruno Sneddon is being repeated in this issue is that we got the telephone number wrong, the correct number is above.

June Sneddon emailed me with the correct number and considered that the mistake could have been a “Should’ve gone to Specsavers” moment.

The editor denies any part in this catastrophic blunder and if you question him he will testify, “I reckon Tex made the blue. It wasn’t me Sir.”

Australian Artillery Association has decided to hold another National Gunner Dinner on the 27th May 2017.

The dinner will once again be held at The Event Centre in Caloundra given the suitability of the facility to hold such a large catered event; the close proximity of the 1st Regiment and 20th Surveillance and Target Acquisition Regiment and Royal Australian Artillery Band of the 1st Regiment and one of our principal organizer’s is a local which enables the event to be well managed in the lead up and execution of the 2017 National Gunner Dinner.

The full details of the dinner can be found on our website at www.australianartilleryassociation.com.

Our aim on this occasion is not only to bring the Gunner community together again, and this time we are hoping for a turnout of between 400 and 600, we intend to use the event to raise funds for the Regiments. All monies raised by the dinner will be donated to each of the Regiments, inclusive of the School of Artillery and the Royal Australian Artillery Regimental Fund.

Once again all promotional material used at the dinner such as banners (which will be of a generic type, themed Artillery) and other items will be gifted to the Regiments at the completion of the event.

To enable us to get the word out there to as many people as possible it would place a notice in your next few Newsletters using the attached image and place an ad on your associations website (should you maintain a website).

The Australian Artillery Association recently designed and had made a Lapel Badge featuring the logo “Once a Gunner Always a Gunner”. The profits from the sale of this Lapel Badge are all to be returned to the Regiment in one form or another and to date we have made the following donations:

a. $500 has been donated to the RAA Regimental Fund,

b. $500 has been donated to the ‘Veterans of the Street Australia’ appeal, and

c. We are currently in the process of providing assistance to one of the Batteries by way of designing and gifting them a number of pull up banners. With the continued sale of the Lapel Badges coupled with other initiatives we hope to be able to outfit all of the Batteries within the Regiments over time (should that be permitted and they so desire to be outfitted).

Kind Regards, Ubique, Kim

Mr Kim McGrath President Australian Artillery Association Your assistance in helping us get word of the 2017 National Gunner Dinner spread as far and wide as possible is sincerely greatly appreciated.
Hi Y’All, I finally got a chance to sit down and write an email or two so here is the story so far.

Took off from Sydney on Tuesday 17th at 1 pm. Landed in Dallas Texas on same day at the same time thanks to the international date line. Made my connecting flight to Louisville with 15 minutes to spare and landed there at 6 pm. Straight round to Don's place (of restored and now registered '67 Chev Corvette Stingray fame, see attachment) for some pre-club drinks. We didn't stay up too late that night and drove down to Nancy the next day.

We (my brother Graham and I) have been to several of the returned servicemen's clubs in Somerset so I could renew some old acquaintances.

The local American Legion club renewed my honorary membership and gave me a new membership card with my name spelled correctly this time. I gave them an A Fd Bty unit plaque to hang on the wall and they were extremely grateful for this gift.

So I had a few free beers that night. Same thing happened at the Amvets club next door to them the next night. One more club to go, the Veterans of Foreign Wars club a few miles out of town. That will probably be on Monday which is their Memorial Day, equivalent to our Anzac day. I have brought all my Anzac day finery so we should put on a good show for them. Might even make the local press again.

Weather has been fine up to today when we awoke to the sound of thunder and rain. Graham has to work today at his part-time job as a delivery driver and storeman for a local auto spares firm in Somerset.

I am getting used to the food a lot quicker than I did last time plus I brought my own Weetbix, Vitawheet crackers, Bega cheese (2 types), (the cheese here is terrible), and two 6-packs of my favourite longlife milk drink. I didn't have any problems with customs and even though they seem to be very cautious about anything with milk in it, they waved me through without opening a bag. There is a takeaway food store chain here called Arby's and they make a very nice turkey, salad and bacon sandwich. I actually managed to eat a half of one before I had to give up, they are pretty big.

Graham's dog Bear had the rest when we got home. I now have another friend for life of the canine variety.

If you thought the coverage of our politicians leading up to the July 2nd election was bad, you ain't seen nothing. Its wall-to-wall Donald Trump and Hilary Clinton over here. The airliner that crashed in the Med sea barely gets a mention. And it goes for nearly a year.

We just saw on the tv that Trump has clinched the Republican nomination by getting the votes of the required number of delegates (or their promises). He needed 1,237 and he has 1,238. Don't ask me to explain their electoral system, its too complicated. I just report the results.

That's about it for now, I had better go and see what other political news on the tv I might have missed in the last 30 minutes.

Regards, Dodger.
Another email from Dodger in the USA

G’day again, The Memorial Day events went fairly smoothly. They are a bit different to our Anzac day. No dawn service but they do have ceremonies at most of the clubs and military cemeteries around the country, usually at a respectable hour like well after sun-up. Graham and I turned up at the local Amvets club at 11.30-ish done up in our Anzac day finery and were the best dressed people in the state at that time, and probably the only two people who knew how to do up a tie. No, wait, Graham had a clip-on.

Anyway they start the day with the flag at half mast in memory of the fallen, then have a flag-raising ceremony around mid-day. Graham was asked to assist in this so it was a multinational event. Then, the convoy of Harleys and a few trucks set off to some of the local nursing homes with little Care packages filled with some small toiletries etc for the ex-servicemen plus a small U.S. flag.

We all filed through one by one to each of them and shook their hand and said "Thank you for your service". Most of them were too far into Alzheimers to understand but there were several who still had all their wits about them and really appreciated the effort, as did the nursing staff. Maybe this is something we could look to doing back home. One little old lady patient in a wheel chair and a yellow hat looked at me and said "Hello, Sweetie". At that point my thoughts of ever getting lucky here turned to a possible nightmare so I left as soon as I decently could. Then it was back to the club and into the beer again. There was some food laid on by the ladies auxiliary and a nice bit of tucker it was too. I caught up with a guy I met last trip named Bob. Bob has somewhat of a quick temper and has been reprimanded by the club committee for being a little too quick with the fisticuffs, on occasion.

This was underlined by the appearance of a number of bullet holes in his truck, possibly at the hands of one of his opponents. Too many suspects, no evidence. They were all into the tray area so it was more than likely just a warning rather than a deliberate attempt to do away with him because I have noted the locals are all rather good shots. If it was my truck I would have gotten the message, but at this point in time I can't speak for Bob.

Terry up the road has been having troubles with moles or groundhogs or whatever they call them here. They chew up the roots of your lawn and dig holes and tunnels everywhere and ruin the look of the place. He has found an unusual (for us) way of disposing of them, he sits near his lounge room window and whenever he sees one stick its head up out of the ground he snipes it with a rifle. Or a hand gun if he has one handy. Terry is currently not having a problem with them any more.

That's it for now, having a quiet day watching cable tv and probably not going to the club tonight to let my liver recuperate a bit.

Regards, Dodger.

P.S. An interesting anecdote. In the Louisville Standifield airport is a sign that says "Welcome to Louisville, ideally situated 738 miles from Wall Street". Its a bit inscrutable and probably means more to the locals than it does to me but I thought it was funny.

P. P. S. I lied about letting my liver recuperate, there was a bottle of 100 proof Southern Comfort sitting near the sink so had to liberate it. After all, this is the land of the free. Yippee-ki-yo.
Warrant Officer James Gordon: 'Humble' farmer turned war hero remembered at AWM

By Alkira Reinfrank 12.05.2016

A "humble" farmer who dedicated more than a quarter of a century to the armed forces has been immortalised at the Australian War Memorial (AWM) in Canberra.

The medals of highly decorated Warrant Officer James Gordon, including his Victoria Cross (VC), have been donated to the AWM for permanent display.

The then Private Gordon was awarded the VC for his courageous actions when he single-handedly "demoralised the enemy" while under machinegun fire in Lebanon in 1941. The 33-year-old West Australian farmer enlisted to the Second Australian Imperial Force a day after Anzac Day in 1940.

During World War II, Private Gordon fought with the 2/31st Australian Infantry Battalion in Syria and Lebanon against the Vichy French.

In a final conflict in Lebanon, two platoons - including Private Gordon's - were pinned down under intense machinegun and grenade fire from the enemy. During the attack, Private Gordon crept forward to the machine-gun nest, launching a solo attack with a rifle and bayonet to destroy the enemy's post.

His actions, near Jezzine, allowed his platoon's advance to continue for the next 36 hours.

The following year, Private Gordon undertook a very similar action against a Japanese machinegun nest in Lae, Papua. After WWII Private Gordon came back to Western Australia for two years, before returning to the army as a regular in 1947.

Even after his retirement in 1968, he continued to work at Campbell Barracks in WA. "He wore his humility much more comfortably than medals' Private Gordon's VC was one of only two awarded to Australians during the Syrian campaign.

His son Lindsay has handed over his father's medals to the AWM for safe-keeping in the Hall of Valour. "I think it's important that they are not stuck away in a dusty safe vault," he said. "This is a magnificent facility, so I think it's important that they are here." Lindsay said his father was a very "humble" and "quiet" man who rarely spoke of his war-time feats.

"All I found out about Dad's medals and his war career were from books," he said. "It wasn't a fact that he wasn't proud of his medals, it was just something he did not talk about. He would only wear them on Anzac Day." Lindsay, who travelled with his family from Western Australia for the ceremony, said it was "startling" to read about his father's achievements.

AWM director Brendan Nelson said like many diggers, Warrant Officer Gordon "wore humility much more comfortably than his medals". "He was awarded this Victoria Cross for what he did at Jezzine and there was some speculation Australia would award it again [to him] at Lae," he said. "But he was actually relieved that it wasn't because he said 'imagine what my cobbers would have said about me if I had'. "He is a man who gave more than a quarter of a century of his life to the service of our country in the Australian Army and under acts of heroism and valour he inspired his generation and ours."
This Tablet-Toting Military Vest Is Actually A Giant Battery

The biggest advantage the harness provides is that it replaces the tangled mess of cables that soldiers typically have to deal with. It’s also designed so that it can easily be recharged from a vehicle as well as withstand water, fire, humidity, hard falls and other treacherous conditions that typical battery packs can’t.

BAE Systems estimates that the harness will deliver a 40 per cent weight savings for any soldiers that use the system — which is an obvious advantage for soldiers that are asked to carry so much weight into deadly environments. The company has also created an open architecture for its new system so that it can be used by soldiers in combat, first responders in an emergency or anyone else that would want to modify the system for a specific use.

This isn’t the first time that someone has tried to solve the problem soldiers lugging around too many large battery packs. For example, DARPA has funded a propane-powered generator capable of charging 100 UBI-2590 batteries that would limit the number of batteries soldiers would have to carry. The only catch is that the military is slow to adopt new inventions, especially given the Pentagon’s habit of farming technology out to defence contractors.

The price of the BAE Systems Broadsword Spine is still unclear, despite the company’s claim that the system was designed to be purchased “in high volumes at low cost”.

Unfortunately, the public won’t be able to buy this high-tech clothing apparatus either, so if you’re looking for a better way to keep your battery charged while playing Pokemon GO, your best bet is still a regular old battery pack.
Lord Kitchener: Famous face of WWI recruitment faithfully carved in West Australian jarrah

Lord Kitchener's pointing finger and commanding moustached face is one of the most enduring images of World War I. It first appeared on the back of a magazine and was plastered on recruitment posters urging Britons to fight for king and country.

The image has been reproduced, co-opted and parodied many times since. A little, whittled figurine, made in Western Australia before the war and now in the National Portrait Gallery (NPG), also stands testament to the way in which Kitchener was revered across the British Empire.

The figurine was carved from jarrah around 1910 by English-born sculptor William Howitt (1846-1928) who specialised in making plaques, pulpits and furniture. NPG senior historian Dr Sarah Engledow said little was known about the context in which it was made, though a hole in the back indicates it may have been mounted on a wall. "It's a funny little thing," Dr Engledow said. "It's bigger than an Action Man, but not much bigger."

Horatio Herbert Kitchener (1850-1916) was a senior British army officer who was awarded the title Lord Kitchener of Khartoum ("K of K") after military successes in Sudan. "He'd routed the Dervishes and he'd dealt with the Boers and he'd been in India," Dr Engledow said. "He'd been in the Middle East and he was part of the party that rode to [try to] relieve General Gordon at Khartoum.

"Kitchener actually rode at the head of the party disguised as an Arab. "He was quite fluent in Arabic apparently and he was a very imposing figure."

Military hero cheered in Australia

In late 1909, after he formed armies throughout the empire, Kitchener was invited to Australia by then-prime minister Alfred Deakin to advise on defence strategies.

After landing in Darwin, Kitchener embarked on a nationwide tour and visited all the major cities and many country towns. He was cheered by large crowds and presented with gifts along the way.

The report Kitchener produced for the government recommended compulsory part-time military training for all young Australian men and the establishment of a military college, which led to the opening of Duntroon. At the start of World War I Kitchener was appointed Britain's secretary of state for war.

In November 1915 he visited Australian and New Zealand troops at Gallipoli who were under the command of his old friend Lieutenant General William Birdwood. Kitchener was horrified at the conditions they were enduring and eventually, albeit reluctantly, recommended the troops' withdrawal.

The following June he was en route to Russia with his long-term companion Captain Oswald Fitzgerald when their ship was sunk by a German mine.

Though no longer a household name, Dr Engledow said Kitchener was remembered as "the face of World War I" who was "very, very good at motivating the common fellow". "And that's how you end up with these tragic little regiments drawn from English towns, many of which were completely obliterated, because they were very excited by the idea of being part of Kitchener's army. "This little figurine demonstrates, I think, the awe with which he was regarded and the esteem in which he was held."
"AUSSIE HUMOUR" It is probably only Australians who can write poetry about Australian icons that can be understood by Australians. If you have a good memory, lived on a farm or are used to camping you will know what I mean when you read today’s Daily Good One.

A bit of Oz bush culture - ---

Goodbye Granddad

Poor old Granddad's passed away, cut off in his prime,
He never had a day off crook - gone well before his time,
We found him in the dunny, collapsed there on the seat,
A startled look upon his face, his trousers around his feet,
The doctor said his heart was good - fit as any trout,
The Constable he had his say, 'foul play' was not ruled out.

There were theories at the inquest of snakebite without trace,
Of redbacks quietly creeping and death from outer space,
No-one had a clue at all - the judge was in some doubt,
When Dad was called to have his say as to how it came about,
'I reckon I can clear it up,' said Dad with trembling breath,

'You see it's quite a story - but it could explain his death.'

This here exploration mob had been looking at our soil,
And they reckoned that our farm was just the place for oil,
So they came and put a bore down and said they'd make some trials,
They drilled a hole as deep as hell, they said about three miles.
Well, they never found a trace of oil and off they went, post haste,
And I couldn't see a hole like that go to flamin' waste,

So I moved the dunny over it - real smart move I thought,
I'd never have to dig again - I'd never be 'caught short'.

The day I moved the dunny, it looked a proper sight,
But I didn't dream poor Granddad would pass away that night,

Now I reckon what has happened - poor Granddad didn't know,
The dunny was re-located when that night he'd had to go.
And you'll probably be wondering how poor Granddad did his dash--

Well, he always used to hold his breath.....
Until he heard the splash!!
Donald Wellow Baldwin Donkin was born on 3 January 1929 at Marrickville, NSW. He attended school at Christian Brothers College, Manly till 14 years of age then worked as a hotel night clerk. Don enlisted in the Army in 1947 and served with the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces (BCOF) in Japan. Returning to Australia, he joined the Regular Army and served as a sergeant in Korea during 1953B54.

In late 1954, Don became an artillery battery sergeant major and in 1963, one of the early members of the Australian Army Training Team Vietnam. His service at Khe Sanh led to his being appointed a Member of the British Empire and awarded the US Bronze Star and US Air Medal (Army).

A career highlight in 1968 was carrying the Australian flag in Paris for the 50th anniversary of the Armistice. WO1 Donkin returned to Vietnam in 1970 as an artillery regimental sergeant major (RSM). His last six years in the Army were spent as the RSM of the School of Artillery at Manly 1973B79. He discharged in 1980.

Don married Moira in 1951 and they had two sons and two daughters. After leaving the Army, he worked on the NSW Repatriation Review Board then as a protocol officer for the state premier during Australia's Bi-Centenary celebrations. He finally retired in 1989. Sadly, Moira predeceased him in 2013.

Messages of condolence may be forwarded to son Major Chris Donkin RAA (Retd) at chrisdonkin@bigpond.com.

Vale Warrant Officer Class One Don Donkin MBE - BCOF Gunner, Korea infantryman, Vietnam Training Team leader, Artillery RSM and passionate Manly Sea Eagles supporter; a gentleman Gunner of Distinction gone to the Great Gun Park Up Above after 87 years of service to his country.
They shall not grow old,
As we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun,
And in the morning,
We will remember them.
Lest we forget.

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In Memory of Our Departed Comrades

This page is to pay tribute, as we honour those members of A Field Battery who have passed away but are by no means forgotten. We remember them as friends and comrades in happy and sad times. Most of them we knew as young soldiers and others, in later years developed a close friendship as we grew older.

If you know of a departed A Field Battery member who is not listed here, please contact us and we will update the list. Thank you.
“A” Field Battery Association Inc, Committee 2015 – 2016

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