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A Field Battery Association, Inc.

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President Ron Bassan's Report



From the President's Chair.

G'day fellow members, I hope everyone is well and you all had a great ANZAC Day, I know I did. I travelled to Brisbane on the 23rd and stayed with Lorraine and Ray Alcorn.

We have had trouble getting into Enoggera army camp; this is due to the increased security at military establishments around Australia. Don Sinclair finally got the 'A' Bty BSM's phone number and he got us in on the 24th to clean our 25pr gun for the ANZAC Day parade in Brisbane. While we were there, we met the Battery Commander and the Battery Sergeant Major. The BC's term of office is nearly completed and he will be leaving at the end of the year.

The Battery Association got an invitation to attend the First Regiment's Dawn Service; I rang people who live in Brisbane to encourage them to attend the Dawn Service and we got a response of about eight, one of these was Paul Clough who we have not seen since the reunion in Sydney. I was invited to lay a wreath on behalf of the Battery Association.

After the service a barbecue breakfast was provided. I got an escort of one of the Lieutenants of the Bty and through him I met all of the Officers of the Bty.

The Lt who was my escort (I am hopeless with names) had a story to tell. I looked at the medals he was wearing and asked him what they were. The medals were all United States decorations; the Lt had served in the United States Marine Corps, he came to Australia for a holiday and met his future wife and decided to stay and after a while he joined the Australian Army. I also met the RSM, who I found out had been in 'A' Bty for eight years, he will be getting an application form.

After the Dawn service Ray Alcorn and I attended the Kenmore/Moggill march and service, and then



Ron. (Tex) Bassan was a 22 year old gunner with A Field Battery during the Malayan Emergency in 1957-59. Tex is standing in front of a 25 pounder with a box of shells on his shoulder weighing 125 pounds or 56.7 kg.

Lorraine drove us into Brisbane for the march. I was very disappointed with the turnout from the members who live in or around Brisbane, I travel all the way from Mackay, so if I can make an effort to march behind our banner, I am sure some of you could do this also.

The current serving members of the Bty would love to march with us but 7 Brigade march, in uniform and weapons, and the

Brigade Commander will not give them leave to march with us. Sydney had three times the amount of personnel than we did.

After the march, we gathered at the Pig & Whistle, before boarding the boat for the cruise up the river and barbecue lunch. The boat has always left the wharf at 1230hrs and we were waiting for someone to inform us, when to board. Arthur Burke came in and said that the boat had already left and they could not come back to pick us up, as the gate is closed and locked.

All our members were most upset about this and we are thinking of not going on another cruise with 105Bty. Originally this was an 'A' Bty suggestion and you know who took this over. I think that 105 Bty should re-imburse our money.

Don't forget the National Gunner Dinner on the 23rd of August, I believe there are over 400 attending and it should be a great day.

Our next Committee meeting is at Don Sinclair's residence, 61 Gordon Parade, Manly, Qld, on the 26th June, starting at 1000hrs, everyone is welcome to attend.

That's all from me at this time; remember the AGM is at Caloundra, Qld, on the 23rd of August.

Semper Paratus Tex

"A" Field Battery Association, Inc."

Committee Meeting: Held at Greg and Margaret Kitteltys' residence, 6 Pearwood Lane, Robina, Queensland. on Thursday 6 March 2014.

Meeting Opened: The President, Mr Ron Bassan opened the meeting at 1035 hours.

Present: Ron Bassan, Ray Alcorn, Ian Leven, Greg Kittelty, Robert Cunningham, Don Sinclair.

Apologies: Vince Greck.

Visitors: Mr Ron Slaughter, Lorraine Alcorn, Wendy Leven, Margaret Kittelty.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The minutes of the previous meeting, which was held at Ian and Wendy Leven's residence, 76 Dolphin Drive, West Ballina on 6 December 2013 were read by the Assistant Secretary, Ray Alcorn and were confirmed by Ian Leven as a true and accurate record of that meeting. Seconded by Robert Cunningham and carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

(a) Update on membership as follows:

Life membership 126

Financial members 56

Unfinancial 7

(b) Website. Mr Vince Greck will present details at the next AGM.

Inward and Outward Correspondence: The inward and outward correspondence was delivered by the President and it was moved by Ron Bassan that the inward correspondence be received and the outward correspondence be endorsed. Seconded by Ian Leven. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer, Mr Robert Cunningham, read his report and it is attached. The Treasurer moved that his report be received and the following cheques be passed for payment. Cheque numbers 767019 to 767022. Seconded by Greg Kittelty and carried.

General Business:

(a) Alby Sheridan passed away 28 February 2014. He will be sadly missed.

(b) Gunners Dinner - Caloundra. Payment must be by 20 March 2014.

© Restoration of 18 pounder WW1 field gun. Ron Bassan moved that a donation of \$2000 be made to the Royal Australian Historical Company to assist in the restoration of this gun. Seconded by Don Sinclair, carried.

(d) New Member. Mr Brian McVinish has applied for membership of this Association. Moved that he be accepted by Ian Leven and seconded by Robert Cunningham. Carried.

Nest Meeting: Thursday 26 June 2014 to be held at Don and Carol Sinclairs residence at 61 Gordon Pde, Manly Queensland. To be held at 1000 hours.

Meeting Closed: The President closed the meeting at 1140 hours.

A FIELD BATTERY ASSN. INC.

Monthly Bank Reconciliation 2013 - 2014

Jul-13

Cash Book	\$6,225.03	Bank Statement	\$6,535.13
Income	\$1,999.00	Plus Cash/Chq. on Hand	\$1,544.00
Total	\$8,224.03	Total	\$8,079.13
Expenses	\$544.90	Less Unpresented Cheques	\$400.00
Balance	\$7,679.13	Balance	\$7,679.13

Aug-13

Cash Book	\$7,679.13	Bank Statement	\$7,423.63
Income	\$2,020.00	Plus Cash/Chq. on Hand	\$1,870.00
Total	\$9,699.13	Total	\$9,293.63
Expenses	\$405.50	Less Unpresented Cheques	\$0.00
Balance	\$9,293.63	Balance	\$9,293.63

Sep-13

Cash Book	\$9,293.63	Bank Statement	\$4,266.30
Income	\$976.17	Plus Cash/Chq. on Hand	\$60.00
Total	\$10,269.80	Total	\$4,326.30
Expenses	\$5,943.50	Less Unpresented Cheques	\$0.00
Balance	\$4,326.30	Balance	\$4,326.30

Oct-13

Cash Book	\$4,326.30	Bank Statement	\$4,346.30
Income	\$20.00	Plus Cash/Chq. on Hand	\$0.00
Total	\$4,346.30	Total	\$4,346.30
Expenses	\$46.60	Less Unpresented Cheques	\$46.60
Balance	\$4,299.70	Balance	\$4,299.70

Nov-13

Cash Book	\$4,299.70	Bank Statement	\$4,335.70
Income	\$120.00	Plus Cash/Chq. on Hand	\$0.00
Total	\$4,419.70	Total	\$4,335.70
Expenses	\$230.10	Less Unpresented Cheques	\$146.10
Balance	\$4,189.60	Balance	\$4,189.60

Dec-13

Cash Book	\$4,189.60	Bank Statement	\$4,389.71
Income	\$520.11	Plus Cash/Chq. on Hand	\$320.00
Total	\$4,709.71	Total	\$4,709.71
Expenses	\$94.53	Less Unpresented Cheques	\$94.53
Balance	\$4,615.18	Balance	\$4,615.18

Jan-14

Cash Book	\$4,615.18	Bank Statement	\$4,635.18
Income	\$240.00	Plus Cash/Chq. on Hand	\$220.00
Total	\$4,855.18	Total	\$4,855.18
Expenses	\$0.00	Less Unpresented Cheques	\$0.00
Balance	\$4,855.18	Balance	\$4,855.18

Feb-14

Cash Book	\$4,855.18	Bank Statement	\$6,625.18
Income	\$1,830.00	Plus Cash/Chq. on Hand	\$0.00
Total	\$6,685.18	Total	\$6,625.18
Expenses	\$276.03	Less Unpresented Cheques	\$216.03
Balance	\$6,409.15	Balance	\$6,409.15

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Year to date Statement of Income & Expenses

1 July 2013 - 28 Feb 2014

Last Year		This Year	
Balance b/f 1st June 2012	\$3,954.82	Balance b/f 30 June 2013	\$6,225.03
Income			
	\$1,280.00	Annual Fees	\$1,020.00
		Life Subscriptions	\$610.00
	\$70.00	Shirts	
	\$15.00	Caps	
	\$0.00	Badges	
	\$0.00	Name Tags	
	\$12.00	Stickers	\$21.00
	\$0.00	Plaque	
	\$0.00	"A" Batt Book	
	\$0.00	"A" Batt CD DVD	
	\$0.00	Postage Merchandise	
	\$0.00	Merchandise General	
	\$0.00	Tax Refund	
	\$455.00	Donations	\$449.00
	\$0.00	Bus/Boat Trips	
	\$0.00	AGM Dinner	\$5,625.00
	\$0.00	Term Deposit	
	\$0.38	Interest	\$0.28
	\$0.00	Grant OVA	
	<u>\$1,832.38</u>		<u>\$7,725.28</u>
Expenses			
	\$339.45	Chqs. 76709/11 July/Aug Smt	\$550.40
	\$135.60	T'fer to Term dep 491118	\$400.00
	\$1,303.77	Chqs. 767012/18 Sept to Nov. Smt	\$6,220.20
	\$196.60	Chq. 767019 R Bassan P/Cash	\$94.53
	\$144.90	Chq. 767020 R Bassan p/cash	\$69.93
		Chq. 767021 R Slaughter N/Ltr	\$146.10
		Chq. 767022 R Slaughter Post	\$60.00
	<u>\$2,120.32</u>		<u>\$7,541.16</u>
Balance Feb .. 2013	\$3,666.88	Balance as at 28 Feb. 2014	\$6,409.15
	\$3,666.88	Bank Operating Account	\$6,409.15
	\$16,793.06	Term Deposit 491118 LSF	\$17,930.95
	\$12,406.92	Term Deposit 526411 FPF	\$12,952.33
	\$100.00	Petty Cash	\$100.00
	<u>\$32,966.86</u>	Total Available Funds	<u>\$37,392.43</u>

Dodger Noonan's **Report of Anzac Day, Sydney,** **2014.**

The attendance this year was slightly down on previous years, but some of this was due to the Battery moving to QLD. Several currently serving or recently discharged members attended, and there were some apologies, notably Don Tait who had injured his ankle in a fall at home and was unable to march this year.

Of course the weather didn't lend itself to a great turnout, being somewhat overcast at the beginning of the march and later turning into what reminded me of a tropical monsoon downpour.

However given all that we still had around thirty or so marchers behind the Battery banner.

Special mention must be made of the two brave ladies who carried our banner this year.

They were Beauti and Paris, both from the 233 Army Cadet Unit. Upholding the age-old traditions of Australian military personnel, they carried on stoically in the face of driving rain, conflicting band music and a bunch of staggering old warriors trying to keep in step. Well done, ladies!

As well as the usual suspects, also in the march this year was Reece Berrier, grandson of the late Frank Berrier, and Bill Liddell who is in a wheelchair because of a stroke, and his grandson who pushed him. A very nice "Thank You" note from Bill was emailed to me afterwards. No problems, Bill, we're all glad you enjoyed the day and hope to see you again next year. We'll try to arrange better weather than this year.

The get-together at the Coronation hotel was a welcome relief from the rain and a chance to dry out on the outside while at the same time getting wet on the inside.

A quick whip-round paid for the finger-food that was served, which was hot, tasty and very welcome after the drenching we got. Special thanks go to the Coronation staff and caterers for their efforts in making our day.

A very convivial afternoon was had by all and most of us had left by around 4.30 pm to go home and put our weary feet up till next year.



The two lovely Banner Bearers; Beauti in the foreground and Paris on the right from the 233 Army Cadet Unit were so great, Dodger is getting their contact to invite them again next year.



Passing generations, a boy reaches out to Diggers during the Anzac Day march on George Street Sydney 2014



The band marches on despite wet weather for Sydney's Anzac Day march.

Below is a selection of some of the numerous choices of Caloundra accommodation available for you to book when you attend the Gunner Dinner on the 23rd. August this year.

The next page is a copy of the Caloundra street directory where you may compare the location of the accommodation compared to the Events Centre and the RSL Club

Anchorage Motor Inn	 SELF RATED	07 5491 1499	From \$95/night	Baldwin St Golden Beach
Caloundra Waterfront Holiday Park	★★★★	1800 550 138	from--/night	146 Bulcock St.
Oaks Oasis	★★★★★	07 5491 0333	From \$118/night	Landsborough Parade
Sails Resort on Golden Beach	 SELF RATED	07 5492 7888	From \$129/night	3 Landsborough Parade
Caloundra City Backpackers	 SELF RATED	07 5499 7655	From \$28/night	84 Omrah Ave
OVR Caloundra	★★★★☆	07 5491 0333	From \$70/night	115 Bulcock St.
Tripcony Quays	★★★★☆	07 5491 1166	From \$85/night	42 Maloja Ave
Watermark Caloundra	★★★★★	07 5491 3300	From \$110/night	38 Maloja Ave
Windward Passage	★★★★★	07 5592 3666	From \$118/night	31 Landsborough Parade
Pumicestone Blue Resort	★★★★☆	07 5492 8989	From \$142/night	105 Bulcock St.
La Promenade	 SELF RATED	07 5499 7133	From \$110/night	4 Tay St.
BreakFree Grand Pacific Resort	 SELF RATED	132007	From \$111/night	100 Bulcock St
Caloundra City Centre Motel	★★★★☆	07 5491 3301	From \$69/night	20 Orsova Terrace
Monaco	 SELF RATED	07 5490 5490	From \$129/night	12 Otranto Ave
Sandy Shores Luxury Holiday Units	★★★★★	07 5492 3400	From \$129/night	7 Esplanade Golden Beach
Potabello by the Sea		07 5491 9038		6 Beerburram St. Dicky Beach
World Mark Resort		07 5437 4100		75 Esplanade Golden Beach
Belaire Place		07 5491 8688		34 Minchinton St.
Centrepont Apartments		07 5492 0100		30 Minchinton St.
Moffat Beach Hotel		07 5491 2122		56 Roderick St.
Caloundra Suncourt Motel		07 5491 1011		135 Bulcock St.
Fairseas Apartments		07 5437 5700		68 Esplanade
Rolling Surf Resort		07 5491 9777		10 Levuka Avenue Kings Beach





Above are some views of the BreakFree Grand Pacific at Caloundra where several of the A Battery group attending the Artillery Dinner have booked their accommodation, including Tex, Bob, Saint, Max and Butch .

At BreakFree Grand Pacific you can choose from 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments available in garden, water view and roof top styles. If you browse the preceding pages you will see a wider selection

Australian artillery association 2014 NATIONAL GUNNER DINNER



6.30pm. To 9.30pm.

Dinner : 3 course meal with drinks.

9.30pm. To 12.00pm.

Tea and coffee. Drinks will be available from the cash bars.

Note; The drinks package is

from 6.30pm. To 9.30pm. Then all drinks available on a cash basis from the bars.

Seating, tables of ten or more.

Dress: Sunshine Coast Symphony Orchestra Military Concert. Near casual and shoes.

Artillery Dinner. Minimum of coat and tie with medals, evening attire for ladies.

The Australian Artillery Association is host to this special event on the 23rd. August 2014, bringing together all gunners from all eras. A once in a lifetime opportunity to gather in the one location, You will have to book your own accommodation

Saturday 23rd. August 2014

The Event Centre 20

Minchinton St. Caloundra.

2pm. To 5pm. Sunshine Coast Symphony Orchestra Military Concert, includes afternoon tea at interval.

5.00pm. To 6pm. The bar will be open for those not going back to their accommodation to change for the Dinner.

6.00pm to 6.30pm. Invited guests and all arrive for the Dinner.



Hi Butch, Thought this was of interest.
It was sent to me by an Army mate.
Cheers, **Banger Harris**

Senate Hansard Transcript Veterans' Affairs

Senator EDWARDS (South Australia) (14:57):

My question is to the Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Senator

Ronaldson. Can the minister outline to the Senate the government's plans for veterans and their families?

Senator RONALDSON (Victoria—Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC and Special Minister of State) (14:58): I thank Senator Edwards for his question. The government does have a very comprehensive plan for our veterans. Prior to the election, we released a comprehensive policy. My predecessor, Warren Snowdon, and the Labor Party did not release a policy for veterans prior to the last election.

Senator Edwards: You're joking!

Senator RONALDSON: No, I am not joking. Probably for the first time in history, the Australian Labor Party thought so little of Australia's veterans that they did not even bother to release a policy. What we will do during this term of government will be underpinned by four things. The first is recognising the unique nature of military service. The second is maintaining a stand-alone Department of Veterans' Affairs. The third is tackling the mental health challenges facing veterans, particularly contemporary veterans. The fourth is supporting veterans advocacy and welfare services. At the heart of our commitment will be our promise to those veterans on DFRDB and DFRB that they will get fair indexation—the fair indexation they have quite rightly been demanding for a number of years.

We are also going to do something about Labor's withdrawal of advocacy funding. The glue that holds the ex-service community together is advocacy and welfare funding. Without any notice at all, a million dollars was ripped out of advocacy and welfare funding—

Senator Ruston interjecting— Senator RONALDSON: There is an interjection over there from someone who has absolutely no idea about the roles or responsibilities— (Time expired)

Senator EDWARDS (South Australia) (15:00): Mr President, I ask a supplementary question. What are the



Senator Sean Edwards



Senator Michael Ronaldson

government's plans for the fair indexation of military superannuation pensions?

Senator RONALDSON (Victoria—Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC and Special Minister of State) (15:00): Mr President—

Senator Lines: How would you know?

Senator RONALDSON: I will tell you how I know—I conducted a hundred veterans forums around the country while the Australian Labor Party and the former minister had their backsides plonked in Canberra; they were not listening to veterans and were doing nothing for them. There are 57,000 DFRDB-DFRB recipients aged over 55, and their families, who are not getting their pensions properly indexed. They are not indexed like service pensions; they are not indexed like age pensions. Those opposite clearly think that is fair, but this government does not think it is fair and this government will do something about it. This government made a promise at the last election and this government will keep that promise.

Senator EDWARDS (South Australia) (15:01): Mr President, I ask a further supplementary question. Can the minister advise the Senate of any opposition to the government's plans?

Senator RONALDSON (Victoria—Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC and Special Minister of State) (15:01): I suggest to Senator Edwards that he keep a very close eye on those opposite when their heads start to drop. They had two opportunities to support the proper indexation of pensions—one in this place with the Fair Indexation of Military Superannuation Entitlements Bill that I introduced, which the Australian Labor Party voted against, and in the other place they could have voted for the fair indexation bill but again they refused to do so. In an 11th-hour bid, a week out from the election, they brought in a half-baked attempt to address the issue. No-one was fooled by it. The veterans were not fooled by it. The veterans were not fooled by the former minister, Dr Kelly, and he lost his seat of Eden-Monaro. Of course, Senator Lundy cried crocodile tears for years about this issue but, when given the opportunity to come in here and support those 57,000 people and their families, she was left wanting. (Time expired)

Senator Abetz: Mr President, I ask that further questions be placed on the Notice Paper.



I took this photo in 2007 at the Brisbane Anzac March.

The two young brothers looked so great in their authentic uniforms that I had to go up to them and ask if I could take their photo.

They consented and happily posed for this wonderful picture that seems to fit this sad poem and is also rather symbolic of the respect that young people have for Anzac Day

ANZAC Day

I saw a kid marchin' with medals on his chest.

He marched alongside Diggers marching six abreast.

He knew that it was ANZAC Day - he walked along with pride.

He did his best to keep in step with the Diggers by his side.

And when the march was over the kid was rather tired.

A Digger said "Whose medals, son?" to which the kid replied:

"They belong to daddy, but he did not come back.
He died up in New Guinea on a lonely jungle track".

The kid looked rather sad then and a tear came to his eye.
The Digger said "Don't cry my son and I will tell you why.
Your daddy marched with us today - all the blooming way.
We Diggers know that he was there - it's like that on ANZAC Day".

The kid looked rather puzzled and didn't understand,
But the Digger went on talking and started to wave his hand.
"For this great land we live in, there's a price we have to pay
For we all love fun and merriment in this country where we live.

The price was that some soldier his precious life must give.

For you to go to school my lad and worship God at will,
Someone had to pay the price so the Diggers paid the bill.
Your daddy died for us my son - for all things good and true.
I wonder if you understand the things I've said to you".

The kid looked up at the Digger - just for a little while
And with a changed expression, said, with a lovely smile:
"I know my dad marched here today - this is ANZAC Day.
I know he did. I know he did, all the bloomin' way".

D. Hunter

(A veteran of Shaggy Ridge with the 2/12 Battalion in WW2)



Shorty Callaghan at Bundaberg RSL on Anzac Day, wearing the uniform when he was WO 2 Transport Officer with the 12/16th. Hunter River Lancers at Tamworth in 1960



Butch, Reading the latest Newsletter and when I saw the article on who's who in the living, it knocked my socks off when I read about Jack Milligan.

We kicked around together in Malaya on leave, doing patrols etc. I still have very clear memories of when he and the Baron had the stoush at the back of the canteen at Butterworth. If memory serves me it came out as a draw. Anyway, I will always have fond memories of Jack.

May he R.I.P. in the Great Gun Park in the Sky. Regards, Rex.



Australian artillery operating a large calibre gun at the Somme front, France in 1916. Photo: AP....The Western Front in France and Belgium, where 46,000 Australians died between 1914 and 1918, was once a picture of carnage, a battleground of trench warfare described as a "muddy hell" by those who fought there.

KEN. AGNEW
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 CLARE. (BONNIE) BASSAN
 TREVOR. BEER
 FRANK. BERRIER
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 ALBERT (ALBY) SHERIDAN
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 NOEL. SMALL
 R. F. SMITH
 BRIAN. WHISKER
 JOHN. WHITELAW. AO,CBE
 BERNARD. (PLONKY) WINE
 GUS. WOOLFE
 JOHN. WORBOYS

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.

Albert Ernest (Alby)

SHERIDAN

28.11.1938 - 28.2.2014

**42139 Captain Albert Ernest
 (Alby) Sheridan, Enlisted in
 the ARA July 3rd. 1958. He
 served on the Malay Peninsula
 as a sergeant with 102 Fd Bty
 1964-65 and in Borneo as a
 sergeant with 102 Fd Bty in
 1965.**

**He was a well known and well
 respected WO2 AIG at the
 School of Artillery 1972-73 and
 later as the WO1 Master
 Gunner of the School in 1981.
 In between these appointments,
 he was the BSM of 103 Mdm
 Bty 1975-76**

**Alby was commissioned as a
 captain through the PSO
 scheme and retired after 28
 years' dedicated service on 31
 October 1986.**

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