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ANZAC DAY NEWS LETTER 2009

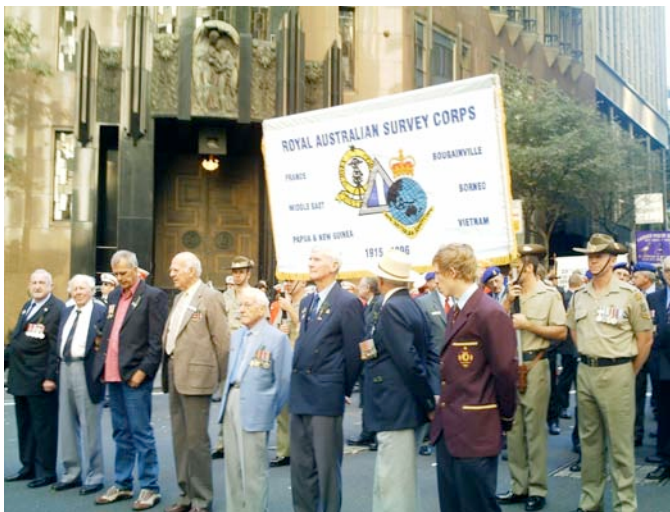
Sydney turned on a glorious autumn day for the 2009 ANZAC Day March, coupled with the huge crowds that lined the route of the march it made it a special Day of Remembrance for all those involved. As in past years members from the Geomatic Wing of SME volunteered to carry the banner and the senior members of the Association took place of honour in front of the new Survey Corps Association banner. In total there were forty four (44) personnel from the Survey Association and Geomatic Wing marching on the day.



Lining up prior to march



Survey Corps Association Marchers



World War 2 Vietnam Veterans head the march



Geomatic Guard and Banner Party



Ted Hunter Frank Fischer & John Lymbery



Tony Haseloff John Siddons Rob Hunter
Terry Topham Peter Tierney Stan Stephens SA



Bernie Cain Noel Ticehurst ACT & Phil Bannister



John Lymbery Frank Gould Ted Hunter & Mac McKenna



Park Street crowds looking towards George Street



Near the end of the march Park Street

List of marchers who signed the attendance list.

Noel Ticehurst, Stan Stephens, Tony Haseloff, Rob Hunter, John Siddons, Frank Gould, Terry Topham, Bernie Cain, John Lymbery, Mac McKenna, Glen Norrell, Phil Bannister, Peter Tierney, Frank Fischer, Richard Jackson-Hope, Jason Bevis, Tim Elliot, Vassilios Frederikos, Kenneth Plant, Tim Weale.

Guard & Banner Party

CPL William Slorach; LCPL David Andersen; SPR David Avery; PTE Joseph Culliver; SPR Danny Daniel; SPR Tomas Elrington; PTE Peta Follett; SPR Joshua Hart; SPR David Harris; SPR Shaun Lam; SPR Jasper Lancaster; SPR Anthony Norlander; SPR Brendon Patrick; SPR Troy Peall; SPR Andrew MacFarlan; SPR Joshua Southwell; and SPR Peter Stagg.

2009 Annual General Meeting

After the march the members of the New South Wales Association held their Annual General Meeting under the Morton Bay fig trees near the Red Cross refreshment tent in Hyde Park.

As usual there was a rush by members to fill the committee positions declared vacant. The current President Treasurer and Secretary Richard Jackson-Hope was re-elected to fill the same positions for the next twelve months.

He extended a warm welcome to Noel Ticehurst from Canberra, Tony Haseloff from Bacchus Marsh Victoria and Stan Stephens from Port Augusta South Australia.

The President then thanked the members of Geomatic Wing for their great turn out and for carrying the new banner during the march and thanked the Association members for their attendance.

He expressed the Association appreciation to Cpl Will Slorach for arranging the guard and banner party for the march and his assistance prior to ANZAC Day.

The Treasurer then gave the Treasurers report for the past twelve months.

At the conclusion of the Treasures report he advised the Members that the association has 37 paid up members and at the present timey (90) news letters are posted out which is becoming a financial drain on the Association. It was put to the Meeting that maybe we should cull unfinancial members from the mailing list.

A resolution was passed that Frank Fischer and Phil Bannister would telephone unpaid members prior to removing their names from the list.

The President then advised the Meeting that the association had been successful in obtaining a grant of \$1595 from The Department of Veterans' Affairs for the cost of replacing the old banner and advised that a thank you letter will be sent to the Minister for Veterans' Affairs and the Department once the paper work is completed. It was also resolved that a suitable location be found for social gatherings. Frank Fischer, John Siddons and Phil Bannister would canvas the idea with other members.

Frank and Phil informed the Meeting that there were no firm arrangements in place about undertaking work at the museum. They also advised they had both completed the training course that was required prior to undertaking any work at the museum and they had visited the museum as part of the training.

They invited other interested members to become involved and undertake the training course.

Frank Fischer can be contacted on 0410627313 or email frankfischer@bigpond.com

The following notices are extracts from the last Fortuna News Letter.

VALE John Hogan - 211016

John passed away suddenly on 11 Feb 09. John came to the Survey Corps from the British Army where he had served from 1948 to 1950. During that time he saw service in the Middle East. He enlisted in the Australian Army in 1952 and served on for twenty-four years.

John Bullen remembers him doing a Sergeants Course in 1955 at The School of Military Survey, Balcombe so he must have impressed very early on as he was promoted sergeant in 1957.

He served with the New Guinea Survey Unit in 1954/55 and was then posted "- to the Central Command Survey Section. He took part in survey operations in -, both South Australia and the Northern Territory. John moved onto the School of Military Survey as SSM first at Balcombe and then when the School moved on to Bonegilla. He was replaced by Acki Barber and moved on promotion to the Army Survey Regiment as RSM in late 1966 remaining

in that position until his retirement in 1976.

Don Swiney



VALE Keith James Barber (Acki) - 31036 (VP6873)(VX 127715) Died after a short illness on 21 Jan 09. Born 18 Feb 22 at Queenscliff" On 7 Mar 1940 at age 18 he enlisted in the Royal Australian Engineers (AIF). His dad was also in the RAE. Keith lied about his age and enlisted at age 16 but his dad found out and agreed that he could join, but only after his 18th birthday.

In 1941 he transferred to the Australian Survey Corps at the Survey Training Depot - Woodend and was posted to South Australia on the Triangulation of Gawler to the Coorong and the Murray Mouth.

In 1942 he was posted to 3rd Field Survey Coy - Yarram and on 20 Jun 43 he volunteered for wartime mapping/surveying service with the New Guinea Survey Section.

On 22 Sep 47 he transferred to the Permanent Army at SGT Rank

In 1948 he was posted to Sth Command Field Survey Section at Albert Pk Barracks and in 1951 was detached as a Nation Service Training Instructor at Puckapunyal where his Platoon won the Drill competition. In 1952 he was posted as the ARA cadre at 2 Topo Survey Coy (CMF) located at Powlett St, East Melbourne and remained there until he closed the unit down.

In 1957 Keith was posted to Fortuna as a W02 Draughtsman conducting mapping quality control. In 1966 he was posted to the School of Military Survey at Bonegilla as the School Sergeant Major (SSM).

Garry Warnest

Late News Ian "Ike" Lever passed away his funeral was held in Hervey Bay on Friday 29th May 2009.

General Peter John Cosgrove, AC, MC is our guest

For the DETACHMENT FIRST TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY TROOP and

A SECTION - FIRST TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY TROOP

REUNION FOR MEMBERS AND PARTNERS

132 members are on the Nominal Roll as having served in these units in SVN at 1ATF

WHEN: 15th & 16th August 2008

WHERE: Twin Towns Services Club, Tweed Heads NSW \$110 per person for dinner and luncheon

\$60 per person dinner only

\$50 per person luncheon only

Dinner is on Saturday Night August 15th

Luncheon is on Sunday August 16th

PLEASE PAY A DEPOSIT TO THE BENDIGO BANK

BSB: 633-000 ACCOUNT: 133297994 ACCOUNT NAME: Lloyd Patterson

Please contact me on: 02 6056 1634 - or - 0402 222 844 or by email

lloyd@bmp.net.au.

The venue can seat 180 persons so ***ex survey members other than Troop members are welcome to attend.*** However in the case of those who were not in the Troop your attendance will not be confirmed until after the 1st of May.

Papua & New Guinea Plaque

There has been no further development on the Papua & New Guinea Plaque there appears to be a problem with obtaining permission from one of the Papua & New Guinea government departments. [All the organizing committee is waiting on is acknowledgement from the PMDC of the PNG RSL support for the project.](#) Joe Fillipi the RSL President in PNG has given assurances that their letter of support has gone to the NCPD months ago, we await further developments.

Queensland Survey Corps Association Web Site

The past six (6) NSW newsletters are available on the Queensland web site along with newsletters from other state Survey Corps Association. If you would like to catch up with what is going on in other states association log onto www.rasurvey.org and follow the links to access individual state newsletters.

Items for NSW Survey Corps Association newsletter

If you have items for the next newsletter please forward them to P.O. Box 14 Blaxland or email aro@pnc.com.au

Richard Jackson-Hope editor NSW newsletter.