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there are some wives who have some free time and would like to get involved in some area. With regards to a patron of our association, everyone has his own views on the matter I'm sure but an ex CO, 2IC or RSM might be a good place to start. Once a name is finalized I'll do the ground work with invitations etc and let all know with the next newsletter.

My second point is an annual subscription. We started by asking for donations to cover the cost of stamps etc and progressed through \$2.00 to \$5.00 but really on an ad hoc basis. I therefore propose that we pay an annual subscription of \$5.00 payable on or before 1 March each year. Our current balance stands at \$454.90 and is held in an ANZ Access account at The Willows branch in Townsville; at the moment I am the only signatory to the account. Cheques etc should be made out to '4th Field Regiment Old Boys' and until further notice still sent to me at the above address.

On the subject of newsletters, I propose that at this stage we put out two newsletters a year; the first in the Feb/Mar period and the second in the Jul/Aug period. Content is and has been the main problem but looking through other association newsletters the main emphasis is on letters from members keeping everyone else informed on whats happening in their neck of the woods. Any ideas for a cover sheet or format would be greatly appreciated as my process on the word processor is fairly limited, however with out getting too formal at this stage I see a couple of pages of editorial/committee rumblings followed by any items of interest and letters to the editor and the proverbial treasurers report at the end. Comments?

Some of you would be aware of several other associations/groups that members are involved with or in fact may not know of our association. 106 Battery has a big following in Melbourne and last year held a very successful reunion [more details elsewhere]; while 107 and 108 both have quite a few members who get together from time to time [details elsewhere]. By personal association I have linked our association with the Royal Australian Artillery Association of New South Wales [more details elsewhere] but the point to be made is that no one association is trying take over any other but rather to foster our main aim of keeping in touch with one another.

Finally, I've put together a few bits and pieces that I hope may be of some interest. Looking forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Regards

LONG R.E. (NICK)

LLOYD (GREG) MARG
 LLOYD-JONES (NEIL)
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 LOVE D. (DOM)
 LINCOLN (TASSIE)

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 McDONNELL G.E.

McDONALD P.K. (PETER)
 McFARLAND (KEITH)

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 McMURRICH (PETER) BARBARA
 McMURTRIE (BILL)
 McNAUGHTON I.T. (IAN)
 McWILLIAM P.R. (PETER)
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 MERIDITH (RICK)
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 MONTFORT (COLIN)

MURPHY K.T.
 MURPHY K. (KEV)

NALL A.J. (SANDY)
 NAYSMITH D.R.
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NEWMAN L.E. (LEONARD)

NOBILIA (PEW)
 NICHOLLS (BARRYL)

NORRSE P.L.

RAA ASSOCIATION (NSW)

This association is very active in NSW with one of its key projects the establishment of a permanent Artillery museum in Sydney. The association put out a newsletter called "Gun Fire" and by uniting the 40 or so Gunner organizations in NSW hopes to have more punch when dealing with certain departments. The association is open to all gunners and ex gunners and get together on various occasions such as ANZAC Day at the Bowlers Club of NSW; the RAA ball around June and an Artillery Assembly followed by the Gunner Dinner held at the School of Artillery around August. The Artillery church service is held on the first Sunday in December at the Holy Trinity Church, Millers Point, Sydney. Membership of the association at the moment stands at \$8.00 per year and is available by contacting:

The Honary Secretary
 RAA Association (NSW)
 Box 576 GPO
 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Other states also have associations and I'll have more information in the next newsletter.

106 BATTERY

For more information on the 106 Battery organization, contact:

Ivan Clyne - (03) 221 4194 (H) or (03) 877 2565 (W)
 Terry Evans - (03) 435 8340
 Bob Rutherford - (03) 435 6856
 or write to
 Ivan Clyne
 c/- 99 Canterbury Road
 BLACKBURN VIC 3130

107 BATTERY

Alan Betts is the man to contact in Sydney, but further information next edition.

108 BATTERY

With apologies to Lance Gilkinson for not getting the information out about their 1988 reunion but you can catch up with quite a few members at the bowls club on ANZAC Day or write to Lance at 13 Plymouth Close, Cardiff 2285.

MEMBERSHIP

Enclosed is the latest list. Please note that only those with a current known address are included and apologies for any I've missed out but please drop me a line or ring with any deletions/amendments etc.

4th FIELD REGIMENT (SOUTH VIETNAM) ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 1989

All correspondence to;
WO1 Peter Bruce
c/- 8/12 Mdm Regt RAA
Coral Lines
HOLSWORTHY NSW 2173
or
13 Pardalote St
INGLEBURN NSW 2625

[Both till Dec 1989]

Editorial

All looks very impressive don't you think. Well here it is - 1989 allready and if I don't get my finger out in this my last week of leave it will be another 12 months before I get a newsletter out.

I imagine some of you must have thought we had all left the country or at least gone to ground but not so and my only excuse for no newsletter last year was really how to tackle the thing and what to write about. My main concern really is that as an association we are lacking direction for want of a better word, and I believe it's time we became a bit more organized. It's hard to judge overall feelings with everyone so spread throughout the country, but from those I have talked with agree in principle so I'll put down my feelings and we can take it from there.

Over the last few years in my capacity as RSM firstly at 2/15 Field Regiment in Melbourne and for the last two years here at 8/12, I've had quite a few dealings with several 'Gunner' associations from mainly Second World War diggers and they really are a fasinating lot. The common theme with all the association members seems to be their desire to stay in touch with one another as the years slide on, as well as some excellent work in the fields of charity and looking after the less fortunate members of their groups. I realize the majority of us were only together for 12 months or so but I'm sure you'll agree it was a rather 'different' 12 months, and I would like to see our association grow and eventually emulate some of the older associations that abound today.

With these things in mind I would like to formalize a couple of things within the association. Firstly I think it's high time we had a recognized committee and I would ask you all to record your preferences on the attached form and return it to me together with any comments you may wish to add regarding the future of the association. I expect - as I have allready received - offers of assistance in any area, but if anyone wishes to volunteer for a specific job by all means feel free to do so, however unless a particular job is asked for I will elect the first committee and then we can take it from there. Maybe

WORBOYS J. (JOHN)
WRIGHT (JIM)
WYNEN J.B. (HANS)

YATES S. (STEVE)

ZERAFA (FRED)

PS. PRINTING AND COLLATING OF ALL THIS MAY TAKE SOME TIME AND MONEY. AT THIS STAGE I'M NOT SURE IF I CAN GET THE PR DONE AT THE 'RIGHT PRICE'! WORST CASE IS \$154.00 NOT INCLUDING ENVELOPES. WE'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENS.

1991 REUNION

Plans are afoot to hold a giant 4th Field Regiment (SVN) reunion in 1991. Original concept was for a week on the Gold Coast in March 1991 to co-inside with 20 years since the return of the regiment from SVN after the second tour. Several other options have been discussed including one to hold the reunion in Townsville during May. This would co-inside with both the parade and celebrations to mark the birthday of 4th Field Regiment on 4 May and the May school holidays.

This does not seem a bad idea as I'm sure there are lots around who would like to go back and see how "T'sville" has progressed and catch up on some of the old hot spots like Louths, The Allens and the Vale. I'm sure 4th Field Regiment would be only too happy to have us out and show us round the regiment and let us reminisce. Apart from all that you could always go to the casino and extract some of their funds!! Give us your views on the subject and we'll make a decision and publish details in the next newsletter and start looking for sponserhip, discount fares etc.

AUSTRALIAN VIETNAM FORCES - NATIONAL MEMORIAL

For those who haven't heard, a committee headed by Major General Sandy Pearson AO, DSO, OBE, MC,[RTD] is raising funds to establish a memorial for the 500 Serviceman who died in SVN. Further details or donations can be sent to:

Australian Vietnam Forces
Memorial Fund
ANZAC House
365 Kent Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

PH (02) 297459

OLIPHANT T.A.	(OLLIE)	
O'BRIEN K.J.	(KEYIN)	
O'BRIEN R.P.		
D'HARA G.	(GARRY)	
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POWERS H.	(NICK)	
PULLER G.	(GEOFF)	
PRAGER D.	(BERT)	
PRESTON R.P.		
PREVOST K.	(KEN)	COLLEEN
PREWETT I.C.	(IAN)	
POPE J.W.		
QUINN D.	(DON)	
RADCLIFFE R.		
RANDELL-SMITH D.G.		
REDFERN E.	(ED)	
REDMOND	(GARY)	MARGE
REDSSELL W.A.	(BILL)	
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RENDELL	(RAY)	
RENNARD D.T.		
ROBERTSON B.L.	(DAVE)	
ROSER J.R.		
RUCKER K.W.		
RUDDUCK D.	(BRIAN)	
RUSH J.K.		
RUSSACK	(JOHN)	
SANDERS C.	(COL)	ANNA
SCARBOROUGH	(TREVOR)	
SCHOLL E.L.	(EARL)	
SCHULZ I.A.	(IAN)	
SCROOPE	(YDNY)	

PERSONALITIES

Dave Drabble has got a lot of the sand gropers organized and they get together now and again in Perth somewhere. Give Dave a ring if your over that way at all.

Peter Dunn (now Colonel) appointed Honorary Aide - De - Camp IMD to his Excellency the Governor General replacing Don Quinn with effect 1 Sep 88.

Sandy Nall has elected discharge and is setting up a "corner store come trading post" at Camerons Corner in far far SW Queensland. Don't forget to drop in and see Sandy on your next (first?) trip past the corner.

Brian Swift (now Captain), currently sub editor of the Army newspaper and editor of Camaraderie went back to South Vietnam last year with four other veterans. Brians experiences can be read in the 27 Sep and 4 Oct 88 issues of People or in the November issue of Camaraderie. If you can't get hold of a copy send me a stamped self addressed envelope and I'll send you a copy. Brian has promised to write a couple of articles for our newsletter. How he finds the time with his six kids I'll never know.

Peter (Scobie) Dobbs has moved to Canberra to take over the job of Regimental Master Gunner. (Whats that I bet a lot of you are asking) Amongst other things, Scobie is responsible for the career management of all gunners and bombardiers.

Garry Jones (now WO1) is a proof office at the Proof and Experimental Establishment at Graytown in Victoria and I'm told catches the odd trout or two in his spare time.

Peter Kilpatrick (now Lieutenant Colonel) was the CO of Taatoo Regiment which toured Australia, and is now CO/CI of the School of Artillery.

Dave Larter has been overseas showing the Pomms how it should be done.

Lance Brimstone celebrated his 40th birthday just recently and Dick Bush and Mick Long went along to see all went well. I think Barry Sharp made it along too.

Peter (PJ) Smith was amongst the 1989 Australia Day awards when he was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for his contribution as Master Gunner Land Command Artillery. PJ is staying in the job for another 12 months and after that, who knows? Well done PJ.

Lindsay Warpole has been very active in Adelaide with organizing various things for ex members of the Regiment. Lindsay and 15 others went across to Melbourne for the SVN reunion parade but the turnout was nowhere near the Sydney effort. Notwithstanding the boys had a great time and get together for various other occasions. Anyone who will be in Adelaide for ANZAC Day can meet the boys outside the Earl of Zetland

HAWKINS (TREVOR)

HAYES R.J. (GABBY)

HELNICK B. (DAVE)
HEKETH (MERYVN)

HICKINDOOTHAN A.R. (ALFRED)

HIBBINS (P.J.)
HOLLAND P.R. (PAUL)

HOLMES B.J. (DAVE)
HOPLEY I.R.
HOY R.A. (TONY)
HUEPPAUFF (MARK) MARGARET
HULETT (PETER)
HUME J.J. (JOHN)
HUTCHESON (ALAN) CAROLINE

JACKSON M.V.
JAMES (JESSIE)
JERVEY J.E. (JOCK)
JONES G.W. (GARRY) PROOF AND EXPERIMENTAL ESTABLISHMENT HQ/2nd NOV 801

JONES W.J.
JOHNSTON A. (ALAN) HAZEL
JOHNSON D.A.
JOHNSON I.R. (JOHN) KAY

KENNEDY (PAUL)
KEDDIE R.A. (BERNIE)
KING (DAVID)
KINSELLA J.J. (JOHN)
KITSCHKE (PAT) LINDA
KNIGHT A.
KILPATRICK P.R. (PETER)

LAKEY K.T. (KEV)
LAWLER R.A.
LARSEN D. (DEB)
LARTER D.E. (DAVE)
LANS D. (DEN)

LAYTON M. (NEIL)
LAWLER R.T. (TERRY)
LEAF (ALAN)
LEONARD G.P. (GRAHAM)
LEWIS J.W. (JOHN)
LOCHONICH R.J. (BOB)

LONG R.J.

4TH FIELD REGIMENT (SOUTH VIETNAM) ASSOCIATION

MAILING LIST AS AT 1 FEB 89

<u>SURNAME</u>	<u>PREFERRED NAME</u>	<u>WIFE'S NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>PHONE NO.</u>	<u>BATTERY/TOUR</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
ALBERTON D.C.	(DAVE)	JAN				
ALLAN	(GRAHAM)					
ALLMEANE G.D.	(GEORGE)					
ANDERSON D.C.	(DAVE)					
ARMSTRONG	(NOE)	ARDA				
ARTUP	(BARRY)					
BANKS D.J.	(DON)					
BANFIELD T.						
BARNARD W.C.	(BARNEY)					
BARNES	(PHIL)					
BARTLETT R.K.	(RAY)					
BAYNDK T.	(TON)					
BECK M.J.	(MAZ)					
BEDFORD D.	(DAVID)					
BERNASCONI M.P.	(BERNIE)	LAURA				
BETTS A.L.	(ALAN)					
BIGNALL M.F.	(MERV)					
BLUMIRON D.R.						
BONHES R.						
BONHES	(DAVID)					
BOORHAM C.R.						
BOSTOCK	(KOKO)					
BROCKWELL D.	(ROB)					
BROOKING W.	(WAYNE)					
BREARLEY M.	(HICK)					
BREGLEC A.B.	(ARPAD)					
BUCKLEY	(RAY)					
BRUCE P.J.	(PETER)					
BURNETT G.	(SHILEY)					
BURROB	(BRUCE)					
BUSH R.J.	(RICHARD)					
BUTLER K.	(KEN)					
BUTTON P.G.T.	(PETER)					
BYRNE D.	(DENNIS)	MARB				
CAMPRELL B.J.	(BARRY)					
CAPORN	(IAN)	JOAN				
CAPPER G.						
CARTER R.F.	(RICHARD)					
CLAUGHTON G.J.	(GRAHAM)					
CLEMENTS	(JIM)	JOAN				
CONNELLY	?					
COOKE K.J.						
COOK R.J.						
COOPER B.J.	(DARRYL)					
COPLEY R.J.	(BOB)					
CORCORAN A.J.	(ALAN)					
CROOKS	(WILLIAM)					
CORDERY	(CYRIL)	MARGARET				
CRELLEY C.R.	(BOB)					
CURLEY T.C.	(TERRY)					
CUNNINGHAM B.	(BRIAN)					
CUZZUBBO	(ROSS)					
DAANEN S.	(STEVE)					
DAINTON	(HARRY)	DEV				
DEEGAN R.	(ROSS)					
DERBYSHIRE J.	(JOHN)					
DEVERY M.	(HICK)					
DOBBS P.E.	(SCOBIE)					
DONKIN B.W.	(DON)					
DONNELLY F.	(FRANK)					
DOYLE G.E.	(GRANT)					
DRABBLE D.	(DAVE)	THERESA				
DUMN P.J.	(PETER)					
DUGAN G.	(DARCY)					
DUGGAN R.W.	(DICK)					

Hotel in Flinders Street around 0930 and then after the march at 4B Field Battery mess. Lindsay and the boys have even organized themselves a banner. Give Lindsay a ring for any further details.

RECENT OR PENDING DISCHARGES

Sandy Nall
 Dave Alderton
 Alan Foley
 Mario Bernasconi
 Harry (HK) Smith who by the way has now an additional set of twin girls to keep him busy and has set himself up in/near Perth.

EADE	R.	(ROBB)	
ELLERD		(FRANK)	
EMERSON		(PETER)	
EVANS		(TERRY)	
FERGESON		(BLUE)	
FIELDHOUSE	B.W.		
FILMER	R.E.		
FOLEY	A.L.	(ALAN)	
FOI	W.P.		
FOIALL	W.	(BILL)	
FEAKES	W.D.	(WARREN)	
FORD	T.R.	(TIN)	
FOSTER	B.		
FDNG KEE	J.	(JOHN)	
FREEMAN		(COLLIN)	
FARRON	S.R.	(SYD)	
FRITCHLEY		(RON)	CHERYL
GALEA		(VINCE)	
GARDNER	R.J.	(REG)	
GAVEL		(HENRY)	
GEORGE	R.P.		
GILMER	D.J.	(DAVE)	
GIPSON		(MAGGI)	HEATHER
GILKINSON	L.	(LANCE)	
GLENDENNING	P.	(PAUL)	
GLOVER	S.R.	(STEVE)	
GOLDMAN		(DAVID)	
GOM		(GRAEME)	
GOWLING		(RAS)	
GREEN	A.	(ALAN)	
GREENTREE	L.	(LLOYD)	
GRINGDOME	L.R.	(LANCE)	
GRUNDILL		(NORM)	
HALL	K.R.	(KEITH)	
HALL		(ROGER)	ANNE
HALL		(RONN)	
HARPER	R.T.	(RAY)	
HARIE	V.	(VIC)	
HAYK		(JOHN)	MARGARET