

ANNUAL REPORT
PRESIDENT – AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION INC

19th March 2025

This report reflects the period 1st March 2024 to and including 28 February 2025.

To say that this past year has been challenging is an understatement. In February 2024 our Secretary almost lost his life twice within a period of 12 hours due to contracting Legionella, COVID and Pneumonia over a period of days. Additionally, as a result of the treatment he developed a number of blood clots in his leg which in short required a bypass operation to save his leg and enable it to function correctly. This rendered the Secretary ineffective for approximately 7 months during which he endured a significant number of medical treatments and appointments along with recovering from his ordeal. He continues to recover to this day.

Therefore, things were significantly slow, and meetings were resigned to quick conference calls to discuss what needed to be discussed. This went on for most of 2024 unfortunately but totally unavoidable.

Other than the above the Association marches on quietly post the 2023 National Gunner Dinner and we have been able to lend assistance to the Regiment's push to extend the walls on the RAA National Memorial. This assistance will be ongoing for 2025, 2026 and into 2027.

I would like to thank the Management Committee for their continued efforts for which we are all grateful.

Yours sincerely,



K.I. McGrath J.P.

President

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