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## **12 Field Regiment (Vietnam) Association**

**TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION:**  
**From President Graham “Flood” Floyd**

### **INFORMATION BULLETIN No. 1**

#### **1. Special General Meeting:**

The Special General Meeting to consider the proposed new Rules for the Association has been held, and I'm pleased to advise that there was a unanimous vote in favour of the changes. As a result, we now have a much better frame-work for the future of the Association. Many thanks to all the Members who participated in the process by providing feedback and/or sending proxy votes and/or attending the meeting.

I have attached a copy of the Minutes of that meeting for the interest of those who couldn't attend.

Those of you who still have their copy of the Draft Rules dated 28<sup>th</sup> May 2012 can now delete the word “DRAFT” from the cover, and file them as the official Rules of the Association applicable from 25<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

Those Associate and other non-voting Members who did not receive the Draft copy as part of this process who would now like a copy of the approved new Rules, please just send an e-mail to Trevor at [tandjbryant@bigpond.com](mailto:tandjbryant@bigpond.com), or ring him, or drop him a letter to 28 Ironbark Avenue, Flagstaff Hill, SA 5159, and he'll get a copy out to you pronto.

#### **2. Resignation of Secretary:**

Our esteemed Secretary over the last few years Ian Ryan, has resigned his position as Secretary. He is still fully employed running his own successful business and was finding it hard to do the Secretary's job as well. We thank him for his efforts over the years and wish him great success in his business.

The Association Committee has acted under Rule 17.5 of the new Rules to appoint Trevor Bryant as Acting Secretary until the next AGM when he will step down in favour of a new Secretary elected by the Members at that meeting.

#### **3. Position of Welfare Officer:**

The Committee is pleased to advise that it has now formally appointed Rick Cranna to the position of Welfare Officer as described in Rule 17.3 of the new Rules. This position will provide a whole new support service for Members and will add a new dimension to the value of your Association. Those of you who know Rick will understand that he is a perfect fit to the position, especially considering all the excellent work he has done for Legacy over the years.

You can find out more detail of what this position will do by referring to the actual wording in the Rules. His letter to members follows:

*Dear members of 12th Field Regiment,*

*I am very honoured to be our Association's Welfare Officer.*

*We have not had a dedicated Welfare Officer in our Association previously, someone who can keep in touch with all the 12th Field Regiment family and keep everyone up to date with the wellbeing of our members.*

*I would like to take on this role so that, as a Regiment family, we can keep in touch and support our members should they be in any difficulty, illness, or have any family sickness or other news.*

*Would you please therefore let me know by phone or email, if you know of anyone in our Association that may be ill, or in need of some contact, help or support.*

*I can then let all our members know so that we can offer that support, even a phone call, to our mates or their families, who may be in need.*

*Like all those who have served overseas, we are a unique family with something special, which is close to our hearts and of which we are proud. I believe that we are lucky and indeed fortunate to have had that experience.*

*We have made friends for life and we need to keep in touch.*

*Please keep me informed of anyone in our group who may be in need of our contact..*

*Regards,*

*Rick Cranna (Gnr)*

*Phone: 0407 572048*

*Email: rgcranna@bigpond.com*

#### **4. Your Committee:**

Your Committee has been busy. We held our first meeting relevant to the new Rules straight after the Special General Meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> July and resolved a number of issues. We will be able to have relatively frequent meetings in the future because we can now hold them by e-mail rather than at a physical location.

We have several important issues to tackle in the future. When the Committee makes decisions that will materially affect the general Membership, we will advise all Members accordingly through the use of Information Bulletins like this one. These Information Bulletins will replace the old "Newsletter" and should improve the quality of our communication. Copies of Information Bulletins will also be posted on the website for further access.

#### **5. Communication:**

As mentioned above, we will be doing our best to improve communication with all Members. Our methods of communication will be by e-mail to all of you with computer access (a good reason to ensure you keep us up-to-date when you change your e-mail address). **Those Members who do not have access to e-mail will not be left out. Whenever there is a general communication to the Membership, you will get the same information through Australia Post.**

#### **6. The 2014 Reunion:**

It seems early, but it is important that we start the planning process for the next Reunion. Before we make any decisions on exactly where and when the reunion will be held, we are very interested in hearing your views. Attached is brief Survey Form you can use to let us know what you think. **Please** take the time to consider it and let us know.

#### **7. Mystery Money:**

Treasurer John "Beery" Beer advises that the Association's working account has received a deposit of \$40.00 on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2012, with the description "Vietnam Vets Deposit Cash". He has no idea who it was from or what it was for. If you know anything about it, would you please let him know by e-mail on [jbe51622@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jbe51622@bigpond.net.au) or ring him on 0418213201.

This is a good time to remind everyone to ensure you give full and understandable descriptions when you deposit money into our account.

Kind regards to you all.

Graham Floyd