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"HORIZONS OUTLOOK NEWS"

AUGUST 2018

Presidents Report:

Now that half the year has passed and we have launched the SDESA Qld Inc officially, we can get underway for the next half of the year. Our Formal Dine In Night was a great success, we learnt a few things along the way and I am sure that future events will be just as good. My thanks to all who helped present the event, both prior and the clean up afterwards.

The Open Day I feel was successful, even though we clashed with other events about the town. It was great to see the local fire fighters pay us a visit and we hope to gain some friendships from their visit. My thanks to Steve Kelly who had the task of media spokesperson for the association, with newspapers, Rainbow FM 89.3 radio interviews and visiting the emergency services members. Great job Steve and to our chefs for the day, John Palmer and Terry Smart, thank you for your efforts. The singing sensation 'Silk & Gravel' topped off a great afternoon, *Thanks Di and Errol.*

It was good to have a day out a couple of Saturdays ago, to cut a load of fire wood with a few of the mates for our wood raffle. Ray Wingett led the mission and has arranged for members to sell tickets at the Rose City Shopping Centre, over the busy Jazz & Jumpers weekend.

Our new treasurer has worked overtime to have our financial report to the auditors in time for our **Annual General Meeting** on the **3rd August 2018**. We have had quite a few nominations for the executive and committee and I thank members for their encouragement to run a second term.

We are pleased that our Patron, Cr. Mayor, Mrs. Tracy Dobie has consented to be our chairperson for our elections this year.

Our next function is **Vietnam Veterans Day**, on **Saturday the 18th August**, thanks to member Alwyn Cutmore, we have a new guest speaker this year, LTCOL David Lynch CSC, who is the Commanding Officer of the School of Army Aviation at Oakey.

Lieutenant Colonel Lynch is charged with training the Army and Airbus Qualified Flying Instructors who work together in a close partnering arrangement, to deliver some of the most highly skilled pilots in the Australian Defence Force to the 1st Aviation Regiment in Darwin. The five ARH Tigers at Oakey, including ARH #001 are maintained by Airbus in Australia Pacific.

Following the AGM and a working bee to be announced, we intend to paint out the old office area and turn it into a library/committee meeting room. This will then let us use the current library area for emergency services displays. We have already been assured of Police, Fire and Rescue and Ambulance uniforms, with displays of badges etc.

We do not expect an influx immediately of emergency service members, as we know only too well, it is not until later life and on retiring, that we look for an association that is inviting, safe, alcohol free and a place to call home, we believe we are doing that for the long term of the association.

Your mate,

Ken Ashton.



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Fri 3rd 10.00am

AGM

Wed 8th 9.00 am – 12 Noon
Military Memorabilia Display

WED 8TH 6.00 PM "DINE IN/OUT
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Fri 10th 9.00 am Drop - In Centre & **Committee**

Wed 15th 9.00 am – 12 Noon
Military Memorabilia Display

Fri 17th 9.00 am Drop - In Centre

Sat 18th 10.45am 'Vietnam Veterans Day'
'Remembrance Service'.
'Cenotaph' - Leslie Park. Warwick



Wed 22nd 9.00 am – 12 Noon
Military Memorabilia Display

Fri 24th 9.00 am Drop - In Centre

Wed 29th 9.00 am – 12 Noon
Military Memorabilia Display

Fri 31st 9.00 am Drop - In Centre & **BBQ**

AUGUST 2018

Birthdays
of the Month

Terry Shanahan (6th)
Arthur Rowe. (13th)
Jack Allen (18th)
Mrs. Robin Henry. (19th)
John O'Brien. (31st)

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The best Irish joke in a long time ...



Paddy had been drinking at his local pub all day and most of the night. Mick, the bartender says, *'You'll not be drinking anymore tonight, Paddy'.*

Paddy replies, *'OK Mick, I'll be on my way then'.* Paddy spins around on his stool and steps off. He falls flat on his face.

'Damn' he says and pulls himself up by the stool and dusts himself off. He takes a step towards the door and falls flat on his face, *'oh bloody damn!'* He looks to the doorway and thinks to himself that if he can just get to the door and some fresh air he'll be fine.

He tummy crawls to the door and shimmies up to the door frame. He sticks his head outside and takes a deep breath of fresh air, feels much better and takes a step out onto the sidewalk and falls flat on his face. *'Be-Jeers... I'm in bloody trouble,'* he says.

He can see his house just a few doors down, and crawls to the door, hauls himself up the door frame, opens the door and shimmies inside. He looks up the stairs and says, *'No bloody way....'*

He crawls up the stairs to his bedroom door and says, *'I can make it to the bed'.* He takes a step into the room and falls flat on his face. He says, *'damn it'* and falls into bed

The next morning, his wife, Jess, comes into the room carrying a cup of coffee and says, *'Get up Paddy. Did you have a bit to drink last night?'*

Paddy says, *'I did, Mary. I was bloody well-oiled. But how did you know?'*

'Mick phoned. . . "You left your wheelchair at the pub.'



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Mr. President



President Ken Ashton receiving his VSASA plaque, for service as the last President of VSASA Warwick Auspice and becoming the first President of SDESA Qld

'Independence Day Dinner' - 4th July 2018

Our first attempt at having a formal dinner at the Centre was a great success with everybody having an excellent time. Catering by Mark Bradford was a triumph and we are sure that the association will hold more comparable functions in the future.

It certainly cuts down on the expensive hiring of venues and we all felt secure and protected in our own location. There was more than enough hot food for all, with reserves on mains and sweets, plus a warm and relaxed atmosphere in our heated Centre.

What do members think of having our 'Christmas Party' at the Centre?





'OPEN DAY 2018'.

Our **Open Day** was much enjoyed by all who attended, with a great deal of thanks to Public Relations member **Steve Kelly**. We were delighted to be reinforced by **Rainbow FM 89.3**, **People & Places**, **Warwick Daily News** and **SDRC Councillors**, **Neil Meiklejohn** and **Sheryl Windle**. Our entertainers were superb with **Dianne and Errol**, known as **(SILK and GRAVEL)** sharing their time with some great songs.

Thanks to our 'specialist catering crew', **John Palmer** and **Terry Smart**. It was unique to have our local Fire and Rescue members 'Turn Out', to look over the display area and for us to explain that we are expanding our display to include all the emergency services.

In our 'new' display zone, we desire to include Police, Fire and Rescue, Ambulance and State Emergency Services past and present uniforms, badges and general memorabilia, so members of the public, school children etc, can visit and view the items, the same as they do the military memorabilia.

We view all the above as being '**veterans**,' as they face danger daily during their duties. Some of our members are retired members from the above organisations and have some old uniforms, which will be '**On Loan**' for display purposes. We photograph all items, number and catalogue them for security and return them upon written request.



Dianne and Errol
'SILK and GRAVEL'



Head Chef
John



Apprentice Chef
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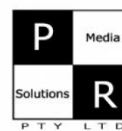
'SILK and GRAVEL' with a 'Dancing Duo'?



Our thanks to PR Officer **Steve Kelly**, who arranged to have both events well covered in the print and radio media.

We also wish to thank the '**Warwick Daily News**' and '**People & Places**' for their coverage of both our **Independence Day Formal Dinner** and the coverage of the **Open Day**.

A big thank you to '**Rainbow FM 89.3**' who had various interviews with members and broadcast our event throughout the week.



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52nd Vietnam Veteran's Day

Saturday, 18th August 2018



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Guest Speaker will be LTCOL David Lynch *csc*, the Commanding Officer of the School of Army Aviation.



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Ex-HMAS Tobruk scuttled

Ex-HMAS Tobruk was towed out of the Port of Bundaberg on Thursday 28 June 2018 in preparation for her final scuttling on Friday 30 June 2018.

The ship, which was built in Newcastle, NSW, in 1979/80, was commissioned into the Royal Australian Navy in April 1981 and decommissioned in July 2015.

The scuttling of the ex-HMAS Tobruk is a project partnership between the Queensland government and the Bundaberg and Fraser Coast Regional Councils to create an artificial reef and dive site in Hervey Bay. She served with Battle Honours in East Timor 1999. HMAS Tobruk was commissioned on the 23rd April 1981, was a Landing Ship Heavy (LSH) with a pennant of L50. Her motto was 'Faithful and Strong' and with a 5800-ton displacement was an excellent support for Amphibious Operations (ranging from the Squirrel AS350-B to Chinook CH47. She was decommissioned on the 31st July 2015.



Type 26 wins \$35-billion Oz frigate tender

Australia has chosen BAE Systems' Hunter-class frigate as the winning contender in Project SEA 5000 Phase 1 – 'Future Frigate'.



SEA 5000 Phase 1 (Future Frigate) will introduce into service the next generation of naval surface combatants – at an estimated cost of more than \$35 billion for acquisition.

SEA 5000 Phase 1 will replace Australia's existing fleet of eight Anzac-class frigates with a new fleet of nine anti-submarine-warfare frigates.

The first batch of three will be named **HMA Ships Flinders (II)** (SA region named for explorer Captain Matthew Flinders – first circumnavigation of Australia and identified it as a continent); **Hunter** (NSW region named for Vice-Admiral John Hunter – first fleet Captain and 2nd Governor of NSW); and **Tasman** (state and sea named for explorer Abel Tasman – first known European explorer to reach Tasmania, New Zealand and Fiji).

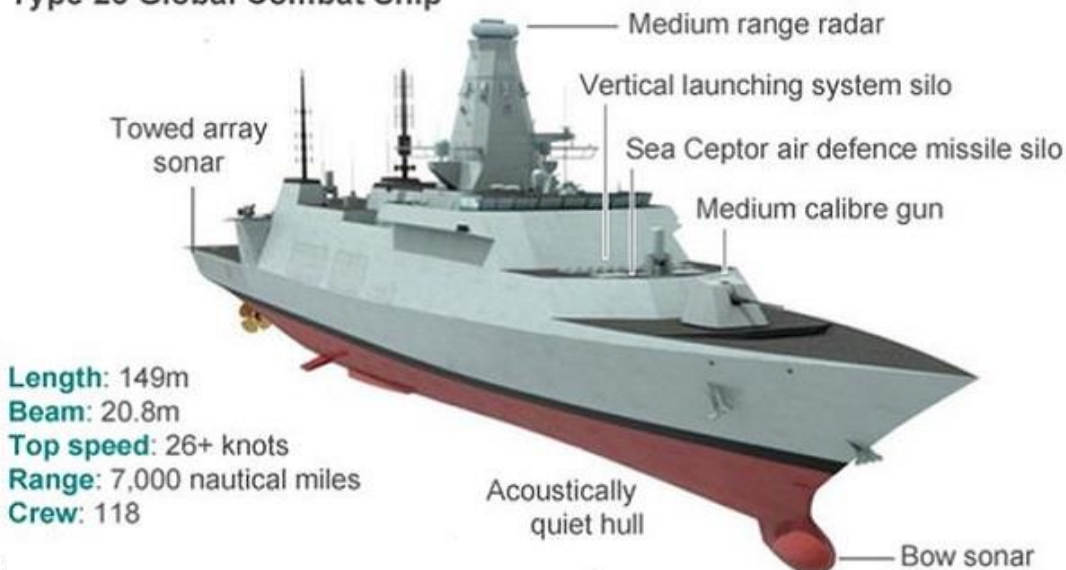
Hunter-class will conduct a variety of missions and have sufficient range and endurance to operate effectively throughout our region.

They will be equipped with a range of offensive and self-protection systems and incorporate the Australian-developed CEA Phased-Array Radar.

In today's announcement, BAE Systems has been named as preferred tenderer with ASC Shipbuilding doing the bulk of the build, at the Osborne Naval Shipyard, South Australia.

This \$35 billion program will create an estimated 4000 Australian jobs around the country.

Type 26 Global Combat Ship



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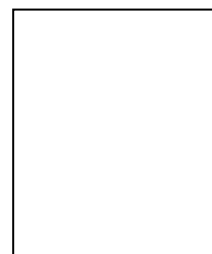
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