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If you have not yet informed the Association of your email address, please inform Pat Sengos on patseng@tpg.com.au

This will allow easier, more frequent and quicker communication with members, as well as cut down on postage costs.

New Committee 2006/2007

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Update your Dictionary

CANNON, n. An instrument employed in the rectification of national boundaries.



The Presidents Report

I would like to thank the Committee for their hard work, and attendance at meetings.

Once again I thank John Balfour for his tireless work as secretary, and as assistant treasurer.

There have been some significant milestones this year.

1. The web page, and the significant impact that it has had on the members in the wider community. Well done to Pat Sengos and his team.

2. Attendance at the ANZAC Day parade, and the RFD parade was pleasing.

3. The 50th Anniversary of DEE WHY Depot and the Regiment's 90th Birthday.

4. The unveiling of the Association Paver at North Fort. (Thanks to all those who got behind this project financially, and all members for their financial and moral support)

5. The Regiment shooting visit was also held on the 14th October at Singleton. Thanks to a total fire ban the guns could not fire, but those who attended had a wonderful time looking over the modern equipment the Regiment currently uses and talking to the diggers who were deployed in a fire support base scenario.

I would like to thank the CO LT COL Taggart and his diggers for the excellent display and BBQ they put on for the Association. Well done.

It is time that we seek another project, as we have currently achieved all of our stated objectives.

We also endeavoured to update the Association Constitution, but due to an admin oversight in which the updated constitution was to be sent out to all members prior to the AGM, members were not fully aware of the rationale. I was of the opinion that this had been sent.

Accordingly the Committee has declared that motion void. The constitution as it was is extant. The new document detailing the minor manuscript amendments will be sent in due course, and the matter dealt with as a committee motion at the next AGM. I am happy to discuss this with any member who would like further clarification. I can assure you that the intent of the constitution was at no time changed.

It is my suggestion that we have a soldier representative on the committee, in order to access the ideas of the younger and newer members of the Regiment. We already have a CO's representative. This will be a matter for the new committee.

It is time, as we move forward for members to step up and take responsibility for the running of the association.

The addition of historical matter on the banner has been researched, and is now ready for members to assess, and vote. Regrettably at the General Meeting this was rejected and other options are being assessed. Thanks to Jim Nash and his wife for the hard work and thanks to Danny Toplis and Laurie Hindmarsh for historical and technical advice.

The Annual Reunion is on the 17th November at the North Sydney Club 88 Berry Street. This venue has been selected for its proximity to transport.

I have been in contact with the new Colonel Commandant Eastern Region, COL Allan Piercy, who wishes us well and will join us as our guest at the reunion.

We will continue our association with the RAA, North Fort, and the Unit. The CO has continued his most positive approach to the association.

I look forward to seeing you all at North Sydney on the 17th November.

Best wishes,

UBIQUE

Rob Corbett Major President

From The Colonel's Dugout

This year the Regiment celebrated its 90th anniversary with a Birthday cocktail party at North Head on Saturday, 11th March 2006. Over 100 members and guests including Brigadier Iain Spence, Commander 8th Brigade and Colonel Don Tait, our Colonel Commandant for Eastern Region were entertained by the band of the 23rd Field Regiment and staff from the Royal Australian Artillery National Museum. The highlights for the evening included the dedication of the Association's, 7th Field Regiment paver in the Memorial Walk and the cutting of the birthday cake by the Commanding Officer and youngest soldier, Gunner Hubbard-Potter of the 113th Field Battery.

The heritage of the Regiment is held in pride of place and it is fitting this year to remember the origins of the Regiment. The 7th Field Artillery Brigade was formed on the 17th March 1916 in Marrickville. The Brigade sailed to England in July 1916 and first went into action on the 17th January 1917 at Armentieres. The Brigade remained in action continuously for the remainder of World War One before being removed from the order of battle. Brigade was reformed in The 1921, was redesignated 7th Field Regiment and served in World War Two and later disbanded again. The Regiment was re-raised in 1948 and has served continuously to this day.

This year the Regimental command group consisted of:

Lieutenant Colonel Craig Taggart; Commanding Officer;

Major Grant Palmer ; Second in Command (posted out in June 2006);

Major David Ellson; Executive Officer and Battery Commander;

Major Alain Dunand; Battery Commander 28th Field Battery;

Major Dhugald See; Battery Commander 113th Field Battery;

Captain Andrew White; Adjutant; and Warrant Officer Class One Brett Franklin; Regimental Sergeant Major.

The Regiment also welcomed back some old hands – Captain Simon Worboys and Warrant Officer Class Two Grant Nicholls.

Initially, training was focused on induction and mandatory training, conferences, orders groups, officer training and the annual RAA Safety course. Throughout my tenure of command my intent has always been to re-establish and maintain two separate firing units based on each of 28th and 113th Field Batterys. I am most pleased to report that my intent was met on the firing exercise conducted at Singleton during the period 17th–19th March 2006. It was most fitting that this success was to occur on our 90th Anniversary. Both gun batterys deployed as two separate (albeit small) firing units each with their own command posts, safety parties and Joint Offensive Support Teams. The importance of every individual soldier cannot be understated as any one person can be the difference between deploying one or two fire units. This achievement was brought about by a continuous effort from past and current members who have assisted to rebuild the Regiment over the last two years. And to prove that it wasn't a fluke, the Regiment backed up with two fire units for the following exercise in May 2006.

This year the Regiment was let off the ceremonial responsibilities for the Australia Day and Queen's Birthday salutes. We made up for this by providing the lead support on two occasions to Joint Tactical Air Control (JTAC) training over two separate weeks at Singleton. This is an enormous effort for a part time organisation, requiring a complete three gun fire unit with command and observation posts for one week at a time. Needless to say it was not achieved without some grief and cooperation with 23rd Field Regiment and A Field battery.

The big training event for the year was the conduct of ten days of continuous artillery training at Singleton in July on Exercise YPRES. The aim of this training was to develop individual and detachment, collective fire support and all arms defence skills by day and night. All elements of the Regiment were exercised including the Forward Echelon. Training included operating from a fire support base, practising pistol gun techniques, convoy drills and fire planning. Throughout the year we conducted a number of routine maintenance weekends, attended both the Sydney and Newcastle Gunner Dinners, supported ANZAC Day, and conducted a small arms training weekend at Singleton. Officer and SNCO training was conducted at RAAF Williamtown and both Colonel Don Tait and Captain Andrew White were called upon to discuss their personal experiences on operations and identify lessons that are relevant to the Regiment in 2006. The fiftieth anniversary of the Dee Why depot was celebrated with an open day on the 24th June 2006. It was a great day and fantastic to see how the Dee Why depot and batterys have evolved over the last fifty years.

In June, we held the inaugural MESSINES Dinner as a combined activity between the Officers and Sergeants Mess. The Battle of MESSINES occurred in June 1917 and was the first occasion whereby the 7th Field Artillery Brigade fired in direct support of its parent division, the 3rd Division (AIF). The Regiment has adopted MESSINES as a regimental tradition and it will be a standing fixture on future training and mess calendars.

The second half of the year remained as hectic as the first half. Maintenance was always on the agenda and two more firing exercises were conducted including one in October coinciding with the Association's visit to the Regiment in the field and the final exercise for 2006 in November. The Regiment plans to wrap up the year with the annual all ranks dinner at Dee Why followed by attendance at the annual RAA Church Parade at the Garrison Church in The Rocks.

My time as commanding officer is drawing nigh and I will soon be handing over command to Lieutenant Colonel Max Shaday. I have thoroughly enjoyed the privilege of commanding the 7th Field Regiment and would like to thank each and every member of the Regiment and the Association for their support of my command and particularly their support to the Regiment.

Ubique

Craig Taggart Lieutenant Colonel Commanding Officer



The following member has recently taken ill. The Association wishes her a speedy recovery.

Glenn Milham

Internet Banking



The Association is now accepting online Internet payments for the Reunion and Membership fees.

BSB No 062 – 272 Account No 1001 3543 Don't Forget to include your name



JOHN ANTHONY PARK NELSON 20 January 2005 Aged 76

John was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Sydney University Regiment on 31 December 1952.

On 1 May 1954, he was transferred to 7 Field Regiment RAA and allocated to Q Field Battery.

On his first live firing exercise, John was seen looking into the wrong side of a Director (aiming circle), giving bearings to the Guns. From then he was known as "Lord Nelson".

John was promoted to Captain on 16 April 1958 and went onto the Reserve of Officers in the early 1960's.

He was the Legal Advisor to the Association from its inception in 1986.

KEVIN KEITH BRYANT ED 14 June 2005 Aged 76

Kevin enlisted on 9 April 1951 in 3 Anti-Tank Regiment RAA which was redesignated 3 Light Regiment RAA, and in which he obtained his Commission as a Lieutenant on 9 February 1955. He then transferred to 121 Medium Coast Battery RAA (Northern Territory Command) on 21 September 1955.

On 18 January 1957, he transferred to 23 Light Regiment RAA and was promoted to Captain in 23 Field Regiment RAA on 12 March 1959 and then to Major 23 November 1964 with various postings in 23 Field Regiment, 130 Corps Locating Battery and 130 Gun Locating Battery where he became the Officer Commanding.

Kevin was posted to 7 Field Regiment as 2IC shortly before he became Commanding Officer of 23 Field Regiment on 1 September 1970.

He held this appointment until 31 October 1971, when because of failing health went onto the Reserve of Officers and then retired on 28 July 1977.

DENE JOHN BOWKER NELSON 31 July 2006 Aged 75

Dene enlisted in Q Battery, 7 Field Regiment RAA on 7 February 1949. and was later promoted to Bombardier.

He discharged on 12 December 1951.

DAVID FRAZER EWAN (Evil) 13 Sept 2006 Aged 58

"Evil" enlisted at Willoughby Depot on 29 June 1965.

David was promoted Bombardier in April 1972, Sergeant in August 1973 and then Staff Sergeant in February 1980.

He spent most of his career in 7 FD REGT within the Q stream in both 26 & 28 Field Batteries.

The Padre was once heard to ask the BSM of 28 Fd Bty "what is SSGT Ewan's first name?" answer "he doesn't have one – we just call him EVIL". David was promoted Warrant Officer Class Two on posting to LSF, Randwick in March 1994.

His final posting was to HQ 2nd Division from March 1998 until his discharge in March 2000.

During this period David spent some time assisting at the RAA National Museum, North Head.

KENNETH HENRY JORGENSON 14 September 2006 Aged 89

Ken enlisted in 7th Field Brigade Australian Field Artillery in 1933.

On 3 November 1939 he enlisted in the A I F and was allocated to $2/1^{st}$ Field Regiment.

Ken was commissioned as a Lieutenant on 6 March 1943.

During the Wewak Campaign in New Guinea he was wounded in action on 7 May 1945.

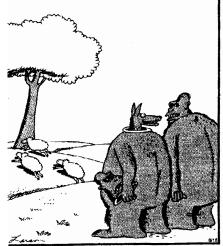
Ken was placed on the Reserve of Officers on 12 October 1945

The President and members extend sincere condolences to their families, relatives and friends.

We Shall Remember Them - Lest We Forget

Flashback from the past.

"For those who can recall their Battle Dress Uniform"



"Hey! I think you've hit on something there! Sheep's clothing! Sheep's clothing! ... Let's get out of these gorilla suits!"



http://www.7fd-regt-raa-association.com

Hi all, hopefully by now you have had a good look at the new website. Thanks to the members who have passed on their favourable comments.

The Committee wishes this to be the main means of communication, thus enabling information to quickly flow onto you, as well as cutting down the costs and time involved in postage.

As you can see from the website, we are endeavouring to obtain as much historical information as we possible can This includes old photo's (especially the funny ones), articles written on the Regiment, old Parade Cards, Ceremonial Parade Programs and details on 7th Field Artillery Brigade 1st AIF, and it's members.

If you happen to hold anything that will enhance the website, please scan and email it to me at patseng@tpg.com.au, or you can post it to me and I will scan and return. My address is 67 Tapestry Way, UMINA BEACH NSW 2257. If it's a photo please advise me when, where and who (if known)

I would like to thank Gary Fry, Michael Barnett, Max Falconer, Ian Gilmore and the CO 7 Fd LT COL Taggart for the photos they have already submitted.

Also, if you have any ideas on improvement, please put them forward so they can be discussed at the Committee meetings

The website so far has recorded over 2300 number of hits, including interest from overseas countries such as China, America, England and Canada.

Again, I hope you enjoy the website, and I look forward to your ideas, Photos and Memorabilia.

That's all Folks

Pat Sengos Website Manager

Did You Know

All copies of the Regiments WW I War diaries and battle maps are held on microfilm/fiche in the Australian War Memorial, and if visiting are easily accessible in their downstairs research room.

Likewise personnel service records are held by the National Archives (as well as other interesting articles), of which you can request a photocopy for a fee or they will scan and make a digital copy which will be accessible on the net, this usual takes 6-8 weeks. You may be lucky and find information already scanned.

Both departments have very good databases that can be researched on the net.

Australian National Archives

http://naa12.naa.gov.au/scripts/ResearcherScreen.asp

Australian War Memorial

http://www.awm.gov.au/database/1drl428_intro.htm

The War Memorial will also have the War diaries on line within the next 6-9 months.

Happy Researching Ed

The Australian Defence Medal



Hopefully by now you have applied and have received the new medal.

It would be great to see the all of the Association proudly wearing their new medal at next years Anzac and Reserve Forces Day Parades.



Anzac Day 2006



50th Anniversary of the Opening of Dee Why 24 Jun 06



Reserve Forces Day 2 Jul 2006

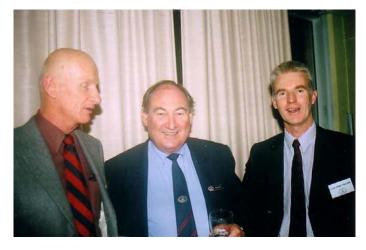
Annual Reunion Willoughby Legion 2005

The following attended the Annual Reunion In November 2005 at the Willoughby Legion Club.

John Balfour, Michael Barnett, Kathy Cochran, Glen Coote, Rob Corbett, Kel Crozier, John Fairless, Max Falconer, Kevin Flanagan, Gary Fry, Sharon Fulcher, Jack Gwilym, Neil Hawkins, Ian Haylen, Laurie Hindmarsh, John Kirkwood, Ross Kohlhagen, Ian Langford-Brown, David Leek, James Nash, Noel McCarthy, Russ Mclean, Don McVay, Harold Medway, Steve Noakes, Phil Power, Bob Richardson, Pat Sengos, Grahame Smith, Lawrence Taylor, Danny Toplis, Bob Waller, Tim Whitfield, Darcy Williams, John Wilson, Simon Worboys, Majgen Tim Ford, Lt Col Craig Taggart, WO1 Greg Metcalf, Gnr Michael Hammang, Gnr Tristan Membrey, Pte Richard Scheding.



MAG GEN Tim Ford Presenting the Most Improved Soldier Award to GNR Michael Hammang CSS (HQ) Bty



COL John Kirkwood, MAJ Rob Corbett and LT COL Craig Taggart

7 Field Regiment Key Postings 2006

CO 2IC OPSO ADJT RSM CC RQMS BC HQ BSM HQ OC TST ASM BC 28 BSM 28 SMIG 28 BC 113 BSM 113	LTCOL C.Taggart MAJ G.Palmer MAJ D.Ellson* CAPT A.White* WO1 B.Franklin * WO2 H.Hall* WO2 M.Benson* Vacant WO2 K.Sund* CAPT C.Bohlson WO2 L.Vella MAJ A.Dunand Vacant WO2 D.Kristan* MAJ D.See WO2 P.Linsley
BSM 113	WO2 P.Linsley
SMIG 113	WO2 D.Morrison*

* ARA

Identity Discs (Dog Tags)



Post September 1916 No. 1 and No. 2 disc.

It was not until the Boer War of 1899 - 1902 that British soldiers started wearing regulation methods of personal identity and these were in the form of strips of tape.

The strips were supposedly carried in tunic pockets; however, it seemed that soldiers being soldiers, the strips could end up being placed anywhere and more often than not, a detailed search had to be conducted of the seriously wounded and dead to locate them.

In 1906, each soldier was issued with a tin disc and given specific orders that it was to be worn around the neck.

By the Great War, soldiers were issued with two discs, one was round and coloured red, while the other was octagonal and coloured green.

The discs were stamped with the soldier's name, religion and unit. The aim of the two colours was that the red tag was removed and attached to a small bag, carried by burial parties, containing the soldier's personal belongings.

The tag's dual purpose was to name the owner of the contents and assist in establishing a record of those killed. The green tag remained with the body for temporary burial, making the corpse identifiable when exhumed for proper burial later. (Legend has it that the two colours were to assist soldiers in remembering which tag went where: red, the colour of blood, was taken away indicating the owner was dead; while green, the colour of grass, was kept with the body).

Today, the Australian Army's Personal Identification Tags are referred to as Number 1 Tag (the octagonal shaped disc) and Number 2 Tag (the circular disc). They are embossed with the title AUST, the soldier's regimental number, initials and name, religion and blood group.

The current Australian Army Standing Orders for Dress states: "Identification discs (dog tags) are to be worn when engaged in field training or operations, duty travel in service aircraft or posted overseas. They are to be worn on the issued chain only".

North Fort Paver Project

The Committee wishes to acknowledge donations received from the following members for the large 7 Field Paver which was installed and dedicated at North Fort on the 11th March 2006.

No amounts are shown, however the list commences with the highest donation

Rob Corbett John Wilson **Bob** Waller **Bob Richardson** Ian Haylen **Bill Neill** Craig Taggart Max Shaday John Balfour **Rusty Russell** Leo Burke Roy Fitzpatrick **Roger Smith** Don McVay **Richard Shunwah** Glen Coote



The Dedication of The Regimental Paver at North Fort Museum

LFX Invite to Singleton Range

Various members of Association (including the Gunners from the Newcastle Assoc) took up the CO's kind offer to come see the guns fire on Saturday 14 October, only one small problem there was a total fire ban in place.

However that did not stop us dreaming of a good wiff of the cordite smoke to bring back those fond memories or the nightmares of your No 1 or Seco.



7 Fd Association members at the LFX 14 Oct 06



Members enjoying a mouthful a Singo dust

Many more Photos taken throughout the year or sent in by members are available on the website.

101 Rounds Fire for Effect

On Thursday 16 August 1945 a victory salute of one hundred and one guns was fired from Sydney's Domain to celebrate the end of war in the Pacific. It is the only time that such a salute has ever been made in Australia's military history. It was fired by the 14th AIF Field Regiment, using the same Australian-made twenty-five-pounder guns they had used, at a critical point in the war to blast the Japanese off Ioribaiwa Ridge, just 40 miles from Port Moresby up on the Kokoda Track, in the treacherous Owen-Stanley Ranges.

New Members

The Association welcomes on board the following new members. We hope to see you at the Annual Reunion in November.

Joseph Chaseberry, Drew Horsell, Andrew McCallum, Mick Magyar, Harold Medway, Graham Quinton, Max Shaday, Kevin Sullivan, Lawrence Taylor, Phil Tobin, Ken Webb, Trevor Williams.

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AISTON	Karen	* *	EDWARDS	Hugh	
AMOR	William	* *	ELDERTON	Frederick	
ATTARD	Andrew	* *	ELSLEY	Graham	
BAGSTER	Mark		FAIRFIELD	Peter	* *
BAILEY	Norman		FAIRLESS	John	* *
BALDWIN	Murray		FALCONER	Max	* *
BARNETT	Michael	* *	FENDER	Shane	* *
BARROW	Gilbert		FITZPATRICK	Roy	
BASTOCK	Fred		FLANAGAN	Kevin	* *
BATEMAN	Ray		FLIPPENCE	Addie	
BAYNIE	John	* *	FLOWER	Stephen	* *
BIBBY	Vic		FOX	Harry	
BLOW	David	€ [™]	FRAZER	Ian	* *
BOWEN	Chris		FRY	Gary	* *
BRADLEY	Leo		FULCHER	Sharon	* *
BRENNAN	Raymond	* *	GABRIEL	Reginald	
BREWER	Charles	* *	GATES	Graham	
BRINCAT	Alex		GIFFNEY	Desmond	
BROADHEAD	Ken	*	GILKINSON	Lance	
BURKE	Alec	* *	GILLESPIE	Rod	
BURKE	Leo		GLADEN	Noel	
BUZACOTT	David		GRESLEY	Wal	* *
CARLSSON	Jim	N ^V	GWILYM	Jack	* *
CARMENT	David	* *	HALL	Barry	
CARSTENS	John	N ^V	HAMER	Colin	
CASHMORE	John	* *	HANSFORD	Jes	* *
CHAD	Allan	*	HARGREAVES	Thomas	
CHASEBERRY	Joseph		HARLE	Charles	
CHASELING	Brian	N ^V	HARRISON	Allan	* *
CHETWYND	Rodney	* *	HARROWER	David	
CHRISTIE	Carl	*	HAVARD	Richard	
CLARK	David	* *	HAWKINS	Neil	* *
CLARK	Neville		HAYLEN	Ian	
CLIFF	Kevin		HECKENBERG	Brian	
CLIFTON	Alfred	*	HEYS	Rodney	
COCHRAN	Kathryn	*	HINDMARSH	Laurie	
COCHRANE	John		HOEY	Ian	* *
COLE	Mick		HOGAN	Christopher	
COLLINS	Don	0 [%]	HOGGE	Richard	
CONDON	Schon	* *	HORSELL	Drew	* *
COOTE	Glen		HUNGERFORD	Bruce	
COPPARD	Doug	6 ¹⁴	IRELAND	John	
CROZIER	Kel	*	IZARD	Michael	
CUNNEEN	Stephen	*	JACKSON	Neville	* *
DOHERTY	Carl		JAMES	Ian	* *

DOWN

Patrick

JEFFRESON	Edward		NEILL	William
JEFFRESON	Norman		NEWBERRY	Malcolm
JOHNSTON	Warwick	* *	NICHOLS	Grant
JONES	Marcus	* *	NOAKES	Steven
JONES	Michael	* *	OWENS	Robert
JONES	Ronald		PINNINGTON	Laidley
KARIKS	Andi		POSENER	John
KEEFE	John		POWER	Brian
KIRKWOOD	John	* *	POWER	Phil
KNIGHT	William		PRIMROSE	Brian
KOHLHAGEN	Ross	* *	QUINTON	Graham
KOHLHAGEN	Paul		RICHARDSON	Robert
KOINA	Jeffrey		ROBERTS	Bruce
LANGFORD-BROWN	Ian		ROBERTS	Paul
LAURENCE	Michael	* *	ROGAN	Robert
LEDWICH	Samuel	* *	ROWORTH	Douglas
LEEK	David	* *	RULE	Donald
LEWIS	Brian		RUSSELL	Rusty
LINCOLN	David		RUSSELL	Ross
LONGFELLOW	Virginia		SAINSBURY	Maurie
MAGYAR	Mick	* **	SCOTT	Ian
MAIN	Rick	* **	SEDGMAN	Evan
MARTIN	Graham	* **	SENGOS	Patrick
MASON-JONES	Nicoll		SHADAY	Max
McCALLUM	Andrew	* **	SHUNWAH	Richard
McCARTHY	Noel		SMITH	Colin
McCLELLAND	David	* **	SMITH	Grahame
McFAYDEN	Barry	* **	SMITH	Roger
McGRATH	Peter	* **	STANFORD	John
McKECHNIE	David	* **	STARKE	Bill
MCLEAN	Russ	* **	STAZIKER	Stuart
MCVAY	Donald	* **	STEDMAN	James
MEDWAY	Harold		STONE	Peter
MENDL	Peter	* **	STRICKLAND	Kent
MILHAM	Glenn	* **	SULLIVAN	Kevin
MILIC	Karl		SUNDERLAND	Ray
MILLAR	Anthony		TAYLOR	Harry
MOONEY	Ronald		TAYLOR	Lawrence
MOORE	Dennis		THORNTON	Stephen
MORGAN	Robert		TOBIN	Phillip
MORRIS	Douglas	* **	TOPLIS	Danny
MOYSEY	David	* **	TRENTIN	Mark
MOYSEY	Robert		TRUELOVE	Peter
MUIR	Gayle	* **	WAGLAND	Ross
MUIR	Peter	* **	WAGSTAFF	Graeme
MUIR	Lawrence		WALKER	John
NASH	James	* *	WALLER	Robert

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Gunner Poems

A Toast to the Guns By them we live, For them we would die. Whatever the Mission, We'll give it a try. We'll serve them with Honour For they are the ones; That make us Artillerymen, So here's to the Guns: TO THE GUNS!!

Unknown

You can't describe the moral lift, when in the fight your spirits weary hears above the hostile fire, Your own artillery. Shells score the air like wavy hair from a forward battery. As regimental cannon crack While from positions further back, in bitter sweet song overhead crashing discordantly Division's pounding joins the attack; Mother like she belches shell; Glorious it flies, and well, As, with a hissing screaming squall, A roaring furnace, giving all, she sears a path for the infantry.

Aleksandr Tvardovskiy, from the poem "Vasily Tyorkin" 1943

St Barbara of the Artillery Corp, Be at the bursting of the doors of doom, And in the dark deliver us, Amen.

Irish field Artillery poem

I hope you have enjoyed the new format of Yandoo, this is also the first time we have emailed and posted it out to our members (who do not have access to email), so any feedback is appreciated.

Also if you wish to contribute to next years issue, please drop us a line. Please email me at patseng@tpg.com.au.

Ed

WATSON **WEBB** WHEATLEY WHITFIELD **WILLIAMS** WILLIAMS WILLIS WILSON WORBOYS WRIGHT **YEATES**

Alex Murelia Timothy Darcy Trevor Kenneth John Simon Colin Chris

Ken

Honorary Life Members BALFOUR John

CORBETT Robert **CROWE** John LEWIS-HUGHES KEN

Deceased Deceased

Denotes email address held



Missing Members

Please have a good look at the members listing and if you know of anyone who's name does not appear, please remind them to renew their membership.

Those were the days.....



27 Bty on Parade at their 1925 Holsworthy AFX