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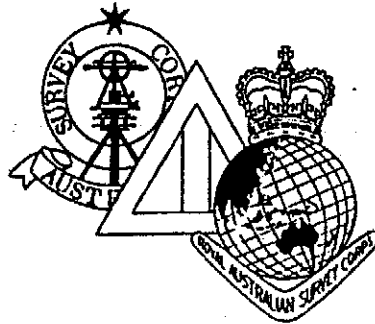
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THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN SURVEY CORPS

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1st July 1915 - 30th June 1996

"We Will Remember"

YOUR COMMITTEE 1996 - 1997

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Mike Venn
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PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR OUR PRESIDENT

Ray Sargeant
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GREENWOOD 6024
Phone: 448 5787

NEW MEMBERS

Since our last Bulletin (Dec 95) we have been joined by the following new members:
Bob BREWER and Russell LARSEN
we welcome them and look forward to their company at future Association activities.

SURVEY - ENGINEERS INTEGRATION

Received recently from Col. G.N. Pearce, Director of Engineers, a well presented booklet entitled "An overview of the Integration of the Royal Australian Survey Corps into the Royal Australian Engineers. We are hoping to obtain some additional copies for retention by interested members, meanwhile reproduced below, is an address by the Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

"It was not an easy decision for the CGS to direct the disbandment of the Royal Australian Survey Corps after 81 years of valuable service to the Australian Army. However, the decision was eventually made to improve the Army's operational capability and enhance your career prospects.

The shift in the core function of RASvy from strategic mapping to focus on tactical mapping support has led to commercialisation of much of the Corps. RASvy soldiers and officers will now provide support to the land army through 1 Topographic Survey Squadron and to other commands through a small number of illustrators and photographers. Unfortunately the small number of remaining establishment positions make the Corps unsustainable.

These events combined with the current rationalisation of mapping trades and military geographic information development have also made it an ideal time to integrate RASvy into a larger sustainable Corps with greater career opportunities. Overall it makes sense that the Corps that manipulates terrain information also provides information on terrain.

Finally I leave you with two thoughts. Firstly, you should be proud that the survey function of the last 81 years has developed an outstanding professional reputation in both peace and the hardship of war. Secondly, you should have no doubt that it will become even more valuable to the Army of the 21st Century.

Major General J. C. Hartley
Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

ANZAC DAY 1996

A cloudy Autumn morning was the setting for Perth Dawn Service's this year. Several Members of the Association attended the Service held at 13 Fd Engineers, Karrakatta and afterwards were well catered for at the traditional Gunfire Breakfast.

The march through the City of Perth and the subsequent Service on the Esplanade were held in mild though not unpleasant conditions.

Those marching behind our banner this were were: Ray Sargeant, Cedric Clutterbuck, Pat Wood, Philip Bray, Mike Venn, Barry Parker, Tom Sawyer, Brian Mead, Warren Hall, Duncan Brimson, Peter Bowen, Bob Boulter, Jo Mazzarol, Leo Clifford and John Willis.

Much to our delight we even made mention and were shown in depth on the ABC coverage this year. Fifteen chests puffed out and 15 backs became straighter as we passed the official dais when we heard the Governor, Major General Jeffrey, in a loud clear voice, comment

"Well done Survey".

We were then marshalled into our position for the Commemorative Service by one of our 'not seen for some time members' Syd Jenkins. Unknown to us this was to be the last meeting with Syd as he sadly passed away some 4 weeks later.

On conclusion of the service some of us adjourned to the Sgt's Mess, Karrakatta where we were joined by several other members, including past 5 Fd Svy Member John Collins (JC to his friends) and, although few in number, we enjoyed a drink or two, lunch and social chat.

THE END OF AN ERA - THE ARMY SURVEY REGIMENT

Don and Margaret TAYLOR travelled to Bendigo for this poignant occasion and we thank them for the following report:

On the weekend of the 26th, 27th and 28th of April 1996 the end of an era was commemorated at Bendigo. The Army Svy Regt ceased to exist on the 29th April when the Army was to hand over its' map making facility at Fortuna to a civilian organisation.

Some 40 odd soldiers will remain at Fortuna for a few months to facilitate the handover and to disband the Regiment. Some former Regt members became civilians over the weekend and were to return to work at Fortuna on the Monday as part of the new organisation.

The various functions that were organised by the Survey Regiment and the Survey Association were well attended with many "old" Regt personnel mixing with those of the present era. The Occasion drew a great response with people travelling from all over Australia, and I'm sure, everyone enjoyed the chance to meet old friends and talk about times past.

The weekend began with a meal at the Gold Mines Hotel (Eddy's Pub) on the Friday night and was a great night which was well attended. It was a good indication of how successful the weekend was going to be.

On the Saturday morning the Regt, followed by ex-members marched through the Streets of Bendigo and were met at the City of Bendigo Council Offices where the CO of the Regt, LTCOL Duncan Burns handed back the keys to the City to the Mayor of Bendigo.

This was a rather emotional occasion, but was also quite spectacular as the Survey Regiment Officers and Members were really professional and very smart. The ex-members, marching behind the Regt, and, totalling in excess of 200 people were led by WOI Graeme Ragless, who is now the RSM of the Darwin Military Area. He was followed by flag bearers who included John Hillier and Bill Forrest. It was a great sight and really appreciated by the people of Bendigo who turned out to line the route and to Farewell the Army Survey Regiment from the City.

The march was followed by the unveiling and commemoration of a rock cairn in the grounds of Fortuna. This ceremony was conducted by the Reverend Gary Kenny who is an ex-Survey Corps and Regt member. All this was followed by a sausage sizzle and general get-together. A great day and a great credit to the members of the Regiment and all those involved.

On the Saturday night a formal cocktail party-dinner was held at Fortuna which was very well attended by hundreds of people. The place was packed with wall to wall people in all the messes and other rooms in the old villa. It was a good occasion to catch up with many old friends and to catch up on recent news.

The Sunday was marked by a barbecue in the Fortuna grounds and organised by the Survey Association - this was also a great success.

The weekend was a most enjoyable time and we were very glad that we went over; it was a success because of the great response by the people who attended. There were far too many names to mention here and I regret that; as I was constantly answering queries about the health and well being of our own members in WA and I have many requests from people to pass on their regards to people here and hopefully will get the chance to do that at our annual dinner.

Don and Margaret Taylor

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Already it's July 1996 - where does time go. 1996 a sad year for all serving and ex-serving members of the Corps. It just seems incredible that a Corps that made such a significant and valuable contribution to Australia's development and growth in both peace and war should now be redundant. Now it's up to us, the Associations to work together to preserve the memories.

Recently Pat Wood, Frank Cohen and I journeyed over the border to Adelaide to attend the disbandment ceremony for 4 Fd Svy Sqn. Pat stayed with his sister, who lives in Adelaide, Frank who was staying on for some sightseeing after the ceremonies opted for a flash city hotel (near the Casino). I camped at Alex and Joan Munro's abode.

Frank, Alex and I spent a pleasant Friday evening which began with a meal in the City, then on to the Keswick Sgt's Mess to meet up with Brett (Dutchy) Van Leeuwen, who had driven down from the School of Mil Svy and a few of the younger boys from 4 Fd Svy. Frank was in his element - telling of how it was in his day. Time sped on and before we knew it Joan was there to pick us up. We dropped Frank off at his hotel with a warning "not to sneak out to the casino" (Whether or not he did we still don't know). On the way back to Alex's we were picked up by the booze bus, lucky for us Joan was driving - and she spent the rest of the weekend so reminding us, - and telling everyone.

Next morning, Joan had us up bright and early for the big day. Dressed up and sporting the Corps Ties, with a delay whilst Darb gave his shoes a final polish - old habits never die - it was off to the Barracks to be greeted by John Hillier in floral shirt, shorts and straw hat (maybe he'd just come from or was off to the beach afterwards). His greeting to Frank "*Well If It's Not Young Frank Cohen*" was returned in typical Cohen style humour "*He Was Only A Sapper when I was at Woomera*".

It was an endless day of meeting old mates that we had not seen for many a year - over 200 attended the day. Had a chat with Peter Bates-Brownsword, down from Brisbane. Peter is President of the Queensland Association and was very interested in the organisation of our Association. All credit for a most successful, if not sad day, must go to 4Fd Svy and the Association, if it's any indication of a successful survey function I believe that over 150 cartons of beer were consumed on the day. It was most gratifying to see how the "esprit d corps" still exists and hopefully will do so for many a year to come.

Our social activities during the past were well received and attended. For the first time we held an afternoon BBQ in Kings Park and this was extremely successful. It's aim was to cater for those members who are now unable to venture out "after dark". For those unable to drive I would remind you that we can in most instances arrange a "lift" if transport is a problem - just contact Phil or myself. The one occasion that could do with some more support is Anzac Day, both for the march and at our AGM and BBQ Reunion. It's almost embarrassing marching through Perth, five abreast with only 15 members including two flag bearers and the 'man up front'.

CHRISTMAS 1995 REUNION

Members of the Association and their partners enjoyed the "Banquet" held at the Grand Palace Chinese Restaurant, whilst taking in magnificent views of the Swan River. Some 'old faces' not seen for some time - Steve and Joanne Rogers, Doug and Judy Gay and Bob & Dianne Atkinson were welcome attendees. We certainly picked the right evening and venue for this night out as we were entertained with a grandstand view of a fireworks display held on the opposite foreshore at South Perth.

This was the 2nd time that we've held this late year reunion at the Grand Palace and it is proving to be a very popular event on our social calendar.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - APRIL 1996**MINUTES of the 11th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the
ROYAL AUSTRALIAN SURVEY CORPS ASSOCIATION (WESTERN AUSTRALIA) Inc.
Held at Karrakatta on Thursday 25th April 1996****1. OPENING OF MEETING**

The President declared the Meeting open at 1253 hours.

2. APOLOGIES.

Eric Brook, Duncan Brimson, Fred Bullock, Warren Hall, Geoff Helyar, Spike Jones, Cec Locke, Brian Mead, Jo Mazzarol, Don Taylor, Cliff Webb, John Willis.

3. READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE 1995 AGM held on 31st March 1995.

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Friday 31st March 1995 were read and accepted as follows:

Moved: Mike Venn
Seconded: Pat Wood

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES.

There was no business arising from the Previous Minutes

5. TREASURERS REPORT.

A copy of the Audit report was circulated to Members and was accepted as follows :

Moved : Peter Bowen
Seconded: Pat Wood

The Secretary informed the Meeting that Alf Till had audited the Association's financial records.

6. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary advised, that the Committee had dealt with the correspondence as it was all general business. The Association has received copies of Veteran Affairs magazines and they were available to members.

A copy of 'Soldier Surveyors', a book published by the 3rd Australian Field Company (AIF) Association has been received.

A grant of \$350 was received from the "Australia Remembers" Committee and was applied towards the cost of the Dinner held on 1st July last year.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS.**a. ANZAC DAY.**

The reunion this year will be held adjacent to the BBQ at the rear of the Sergeant's Mess, Karrakatta. Depending on the reunion's success this year, we may look at using the same venue in the future with the intention of making it a family day.

b. CORPS BIRTHDAY FUNCTION.

The Committee has looked at several venues, however, the cost varied considerably and may be beyond what the membership would be willing to pay.

The meeting was asked for suggestions for a suitable venue. No suggestions were forthcoming. The President advised that a preliminary booking had been made for the Gleneagles Function Centre at Karrinyup for Saturday 6th July 1996. The meeting was asked if it supported this venue.

Moved: Eric Clutterbuck

Seconded: Cedric Clutterbuck

that the dinner be held at the Gleneagles venue.

c. WEST LINK.

The Editor gave an update on the next edition and reminded members to send in articles. The Secretary advised that WESTLINK has received mention from other Associations noting how professional the magazine is.

d. SICK PARADE.

Fred Bullock, Nevis Cherry, Geoff Helyar & Syd Jenkins.

8. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE FOR 1996-1997.

All Committee positions were declared vacant and the members present then proceeded to elect a new Committee for 1996-1997.

Nominations were called for and as a result the following became the 1996 Committee.

PRESIDENT
Ray SARGEANT

Nominated: Pat Wood
Seconded: Frank Cohen

VICE PRESIDENT
Frank COHEN

Nominated: Pater Bowen
Seconded: Eric Clutterbuck

SECRETARY/TREASURER
Philip BRAY

Nominated: Barry Parker
Seconded: Mike Venn

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. Cedric Clutterbuck

Nominated: Frank Cohen
Seconded: Ray Sargeant

2. Eric Clutterbuck

Nominated: Leo Clifford
Seconded: Ray Sargeant

3. Mike Venn

Nominated: Leo Clifford
Seconded: Cedric Clutterbuck

4. Pat Wood

Nominated: Barry Parker
Seconded: Peter Bowen

5. John Willis

Nominated: Eric Clutterbuck
Seconded: Philip Bray

6. Leo Clifford

Nominated: Philip Bray
Seconded: Mike Venn

9. OTHER BUSINESS.**a. FAMILY PICNIC**

The Picnic held in Kings Park last October was deemed a success and the Meeting decided that one should be held again this year.

b. RSL HOMES ANZAC SERVICE

Cedric reported that both he and his wife Nannette attended on behalf of the Association. Cedric said that they enjoyed attending and would be pleased to represent the Association again next year.

c. VALE: Neville SMITH-RYAN

Frank Cohen advised the meeting of the passing of Neville. Cedric Clutterbuck had recently visited Mrs Smith-Ryan. The Association placed a notice in the West Australian newspaper.

d. ASSOCIATION ACN NUMBER

Peter Bowen asked the Treasurer if the Association need to have an ACN number.

ACTION: Treasurer to contact the Auditor and seek his advice.

e. MEMBERSHIP

Secretary informed the Meeting that current membership was now 55 and that there has been further enquires about membership to the Association.

f. CONSTITUTION

The Secretary asked the Meeting if there were any motions to amend any aspects of the Association's Constitution.
There were no motions forthcoming.

There being no further Business the Meeting was declared closed at 1323 hours.

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President

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Secretary

STATEMENT of INCOME and EXPENDITURE
for the PERIOD ENDING 31st DECEMBER 1995

INCOME:

Subscriptions	910.00
Functions	2505.00
Sales - Survey Corps Shop	58.00
Bank Interest	14.83
Corps Birthday Raffle	74.00
Australia Remembers Grant	350.00
Donation	10.00
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	3921.83

EXPENDITURE:

Bank Fees/State & Federal Taxes	9.82
Postage	181.35
Stationery	36.80
Functions	3454.10
Survey Corps Shop	214.00
RSL Subscription	15.00
Corps Historical Photographs	58.00
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	3755.07

INCOME	\$3921.83
EXPENDITURE	\$3755.07
Excess of Income over Expenditure	\$ 166.76

STATEMENT OF ASSOCIATION FUNDS

Opening Balance (Cash at Bank) 1st January 1995	1283.70
Excess of Income over Expenditure	166.76
Balance at the Bank as at 31st December 1995	1450.46
Balance Unsold Survey Corps Shop/Stamps	77.30
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Balance of Association Funds as at 31st December 1994	\$1527.76

I have examined the Books and Accounts as presented to me and in my opinion the Statement of Income and Expenditure and the Statement of Association Funds are properly drawn up, so as to represent a correct view of the Financial Transactions for the Year ending 31st December 1995.

Signed:- A.W. Till.....Auditor

P. BraySecretary/Treasurer

J.R. SargeantPresident

**ROYAL AUSTRALIAN SURVEY CORPS ASSOCIATION
(WESTERN AUSTRALIA) INC
MEMBERSHIP**

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BARRELL	Lance	10 Welch Way	WARNBRO	6169	593 2661
BOULTER	Bob	223 Scott Street	CLOVERDALE	6105	277 1036
BOWEN	Peter	8 Rosea Close	MAIDA VALE	6057	454 6219
BOWMAN	Jodi	7/300 Cambridge Street	WEMBLEY	6014	387 6932
BOWLER	Stephen	3 Seacrest Drive	SORRENTO	6020	447 3796
BRAY	Philip	33 Nalpa Way	DUNCRAIG	6023	447 9699
BREHENY	Keith	20 Sarre Place	MARANGAROO	6064	343 3396
BREWER	Bob	14 Arthur Road	LESMURDIE	6076	291 6203
BRIMSON	Duncan	40 Nolyang Crescent	WANNEROO	6065	405 4017
BROOK	Eric	6 Binns Court	NORTH FREMANTLE	6159	336 4324
BROWN	Fred	9A Bocaccia Court	SORRENTO	6020	246 4804
BULLOCK	Fred	42 Osmaston Road	CARINE	6020	448 5141
CHERRY	Nevis	8 Abrolhos Close	SHELLEY	6148	457 0612
CLIFFORD	Leo	21 Rudall Way	PADBURY	6025	402 1590
CLUTTERBUCK	Cedric	18 Glennon Way	ROSSMOYNE	6148	457 4651
CLUTTERBUCK	Eric	4 Carob Place	GREENWOOD	6024	342 2181
CLUTTERBUCK	Noel	357 Hardey Road	CLOVERDALE	6105	277 7072
COHEN	Frank	121 North Street	SWANBOURNE	6010	384 7094
CRADDON	Clive	212 Corinthian Road	RIVERTON	6148	354 1312
EDDY	Peter	6 Cullen Street	SHENTON PARK	6008	381 2616
EDWARDS	Frank	4 Batavia Way	SALTER POINT	6152	450 3945
FAITHFULL	Jack	253 Hancock Street	DOUBLEVIEW	6018	446 9562
FIRNS	Brian	59 Thompson Road	NORTH FREMANTLE	6159	335 6825
GAY	Doug	89 Beasley Road	LEEMING	6149	310 4685
GOBLE-GARRATT	Mike	16 Redwood Lane	WILLETTON	6155	457 3048
GREENWELL	John	5 Kirwin Place	WILLETTON	6155	354 5682
GRIFFITHS	Leon	1 Gairloch Street	APPLECROSS	6153	364 8019
HALL	Warren	170 Roberts Street	JOONDANNA	6060	444 4351
HANCOCK	Archie	Sun City C'van Park - Swan Drive	GERALDTON	6530	099 382239
HELYAR	Geoff	51 Wedgewood Drive	EDGEWATER	6027	306 1509
JONES	(Spike) R B	2/23 Yeovil Crescent	BICTON	6157	339 4415
KEMP	Bill	15 Moffat Place	WARWICK	6024	447 0534
LAING	Alex	29 Harris Street	HACKETT A.C.T.	2602	
LARSEN	Russell	8 Hollingworth Way	LEEMING	6149	313 5825
LAWLER	Marlene	20B Admiral Grove.	HEATHRIDGE	6027	3079027
LOCKE	Cec	35 Arnos Way	GIRRAWHEEN	6064	342 6098
MACDONALD	Don	8/17 Heydon Street	MOSMAN N.S.W.	2088	
MAZZAROL	Jo	52 Cleveland Street	DIANELLA	6062	276 6170
MEAD	Brian	8 Barrisdale Drive	KINGSLEY	6026	409 8292
MUSGRAVE	Don	27 Marjorie Parade	ROCKINGHAM	6168	527 3473
PARKER	Barry	41B Jefferson Drive	MARANGAROO	6064	342 7245
REANY	Graeme	7 Arrabella Mews	CURRAMBINE	6026	305 3187
ROBERTS	Jim	1 Chidley Place	ROCKINGHAM	6168	527 5180
ROSSOW	Alan	25 Wolsely Road	EAST FREMANTLE	6158	3192789
SARGEANT	Ray	29 Bouvardia Way	GREENWOOD	6024	448 5787
SAWYER	Tom	5 Mandoon Close	DARLINGTON	6070	299 7039
TAYLOR	Hugh	51 Eric Street	COTTESLOE	6011	384 4431
TAYLOR	Don	22 Callistemon Avenue	GREENWOOD	6024	447 0465
TILL	Aif	21 Cromarty Road	FLOREAT	6014	387 5113
UWINS	Bev	12 Kexby Street	BALCATT	6021	344 1968
VENN	Mick	29 Waitara Crescent	GREENWOOD	6024	448 0407
WAKELING	Paul	P.O. BOX 130	GLEN FORREST	6071	
WEBB	Cliff	8 Nalpa Way	DUNCRAIG	6023	448 3176
WILLIS	John	8/10 Jubilee Place	EDEN HILL	6054	378 1135
WOOD	Pat	39 Hendon Way	HAMERSLEY	6022	342 8981

RA SVY CORPS WESTERN AUSTRALIA - NOMINAL ROLLS 1964 - 1966WESTERN COMMAND FIELD SURVEY UNIT

1964

337628	MAJ	L B J	SPRENGER	
57058	LT	A W	LAING	
6126	WO1	J T C	BOOTON	
5448	WO2	F B	COHEN	
4700	SGT	K J	MAZZAROL	
213569	SGT	P	ROSSITER	
52700	SGT	R B	JONES	
52930	SGT	R	KEENE	
53066	SGT	A C	TSAKALOS	
54599	SGT	G M	ULLINGER	
53229	CPL	N B D	CLUTTERBUCK	
53806	CPL	J	BEERS	
63196	CPL	R W	McKENNA	
53248	CPL	B J	HARMS	
53463	SPR	R J	CASWELL	
54460	SPR	H A	NEWMAN	
42814	SPR	J H A	LEISKER	
54447	SPR	P A	TOOMEY	
53004	SPR	I J	HASTINGS	
53903	SPR	W M J	SPENCER	
42910	SPR	R J	BLACK	
<u>IN</u>				
83030	SPR	I R	DONALDSON	9 Jan - School of Mil Svy
51172	CAPT	H	TAYLOR	27 Mar - Civil Attachment
53624	SPR	D B	LAWLER	29 August
<u>OUT</u>				
	SPR	D B	LAWLER	12 Dec - Discharged
	CPL	J	BEERS	19 Dec - Discharged
<u>PROMOTIONS</u>				
	SPR	R J	CASWELL	CPL - Mar
	CPL	R W	McKENNA	SGT - Jul
	CAPT	H	TAYLOR	MAJ - Nov
	LT	A W	LAING	CAPT - Nov

WESTERN COMMAND FIELD SURVEY UNIT**1965**

337628	MAJ	L B J	SPRENGER
57058	CAPT	A W	LAING
51172	CAPT	H	TAYLOR
6126	WO1	J T C	BOOTON
5448	WO2	F B	COHEN
4700	SGT	K J	MAZZAROL
213569	SGT	P	ROSSITER
52700	SGT	R B	JONES
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54599	SGT	G M	ULLINGER
53196	SGT	R W	McKENNA
53229	CPL	N B D	CLUTTERBUCK
53248	CPL	B J	HARMS
53463	CPL	R J	CASWELL
54460	SPR	H A	NEWMAN
42814	SPR	J H A	LEISKER
54447	SPR	P A	TOOMEY
53004	SPR	I J	HASTINGS
53903	SPR	W M J	SPENCER
42910	SPR	R J	BLACK
43030	SPR	I R	DONALDSON

IN

17082	LT	K J	LYONS	5 January
61544	SPR	B	ROZEMA	19 Jan - School of Mil Svy
33672	WO2	P H	WOOD	22 Mar - School of Mil Svy
54660	SPR	V J	ARTHUR	26 Apr - School of Mil Svy
52895	SGT	I G	ETHERIDGE	13 May - HQ W Comd
A546573	CPL	R	JONES	21 Jun -10LH (CMF-FTD)
A517658	CPL	J R	SARGEANT	5 Jul - (CMF -FTD)
43488	SPR	K F	BREWER	2 August
43500	SPR	B H	WILSON	2 August
A547140	LT	A W	TILL	27 September
A534617	SGT	R E	SNOW	4 October

OUT

MAJ	L B	SPRENGER	11 Jan - Army Svy Regt
SGT	R B	JONES	16 Jan - School of Mil Svy
SGT	A C	TSAKALOS	19 Jan - Army Svy Regt
SGT	P	ROSSITER	11 Feb - Army Svy Regt
CPL	B J	HARMS	2 Apr - Discharged
CAPT	A W	LAING	10 Aug - UK
WO2	F B	COHEN	3 Sep - Discharged
SPR	W M J	SPENCER	6 Sep - Discharged
CPL	R J	CASWELL	14 September

PROMOTIONS

SPR	I J	HASTINGS	CPL - Mar
SPR	P A	TOOMEY	CPL - Jul
SPR	H A	NEWMAN	CPL - Jul
SPR	J H A	LIESKER	CPL - Jul
LT	K J	LYONS	CAPT - Nov

WESTERN COMMAND FIELD SURVEY UNIT

1966

51172	CAPT	H	TAYLOR
17082	CAPT	K J	LYONS
A647140	LT	A W	TILL
6126	WO1	J T C	BOOTON
33672	WO2	P H	WOOD
4700	SGT	K J	MAZZAROL
A634617	SGT	R E	SNOW
52930	SGT	R	KEENE
52895	SGT	I G	ETHERIDGE
54599	SGT	G M	ULLINGER
53195	SGT	R W	McKENNA
53229	CPL	N B D	CLUTTERBUCK
A545573	CPL	R	JONES
A517658	CPL	J R	SARGEANT
54460	CPL	H A	NEWMAN
42814	CPL	J H A	LEISKER
54447	CPL	P A	TOOMEY
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43030	SPR	I R	DONALDSON
54660	SPR	V J	ARTHUR
43488	SPR	K F	BREWER
43500	SPR	B H	WILSON
61544	SPR	B	ROZEMA

IN

1200432	SPR	P T	KEENE	10 January
216075	SPR	G J	LARKIN	10 January
1200402	SPR	D P	YAU	12 January
43502	SPR	K A	WESTON	15 February
4717672	SPR	L M	GILMOUR	11 July

OUT

SGT	R E	SNOW	10 January
CPL	I J	HASTINGS	18 Jun - Army Svy Regt
MAJ	H	TAYLOR	10 Dec - School of Mil Svy

PROMOTIONS

SGT	I G	ETHERIDGE	SSGT - Jan
SGT	R	KEENE	WO2 - Jul
SPR	R J	BLACK	CPL - Nov
SPR	I R	DONALDSON	CPL - Nov

PERSONAL SNIPPETS - WESTERN AUSTRALIA

VALE

Neville SMITH-RYAN 1914 - 1996

WX22563 Cpl Neville Smith-Ryan joined 4 Field Survey Company in 1943 from Wongan Hills as a computer technician and served throughout the State. He ended his service with the 3 Field Survey Corps at Atherton Tablelands, in Queensland, in 1946.

A keen sportsman in his younger days, Neville excelled in rowing, running, tennis and bowls. He served the National Bank of Australia for 47 years as a manager and inspector before his retirement.

Neville passed away after a short illness and is survived by his wife Dorothy and daughter, Margaret to whom we extend our sympathies. He was one of the founding members of our Association and his attendances at future Survey reunions and functions will be surely missed.

510059 Capt Sydney Arthur JENKINS RA Inf (CMF)

25th May 1996

Syd served in the RASVY Corps from September 1950 to September 1956 as a Draftsman and from 1958 to 1978 in the RA Inf(CMF) with 16 RWAR. In his latter years Syd did invaluable work as the Curator of the Army Museum of W.A. and was responsible for it's relocation to it's present location at Survey's old home at the Artillery Barracks, Burt Street Fremantle. Syd was a foundation member of the Association and it was fitting that our last meeting was on Anzac Day this year, when as an RSL Marsball he shepherded us into position on the Perth Esplanade for the Commemorative Service. We send our condolences to his wife, Anne and his family.

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Our congratulations and best wishes for the future go to Committee Member John WILLIS on his recent marriage. Welcome to the Association

Shirley, we look forward to your company at our functions.

Frank COHEN is entering Hospital today (13 June) for a skin graft which will hopefully heal a troublesome leg ulcer. Reckons come hell or high water he'll make the Corps Birthday Dinner.

Brian FIRNS has spared a moments to pen us a card from Exmouth. Brian is cruising up the coast on a 36' boat, writes that he spent Anzac Day in Geraldton. Next stop Onslow.

Bob ATKINSON

Bob, wife Dianne and family live in Forrestfield. Bob has his own Survey Consultancy and Software Business 'SURVEY SOFT'. He still has a keen eye for a good wine.

Chris DIXON

Chris, wife Linda and family live in Roleystone. Chris has his own Photogrammetric business 'WESTATE AERIAL SURVEYS' and has been kept busy on projects both in WA and overseas. Chris and Linda are keen supporters of Matthew and Sarah's swimming achievements, even travelling interstate for championships. (Future Olympians perhaps?)

Russell LARSEN

Russell, wife Kerry and family live in Leeming. Russell is the SO3 Cadets here in the West and is based at Leeuwin Barracks. He spends most of his time visiting the Cadet Units throughout WA. We caught up with Russell on Anzac Day and enjoyed talking about the "good old days".

Col DARCH

Col and wife Esther are back here in Perth and live in Kingsley. Col is a man of leisure at present, although if any offers of employment arise Col will consider them.

John (JC) COLLINS and Jan are now back in the West. John came along to the Anzac Dat Reunion and many old campaigns and "Gading" Operations were relived.

Russell is now a member of the Association and hopefully ere too long we can entice Bob, Chris, Col and John to "sign up".

FROM THE OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

1995 was a sad year for many of our Associations, Bulletins and Journals received from New South Wales, Queensland and Bendigo all contain news of the passing of several of their members:

Doug Russell - about 26 January 1996

Geoff May - 28th April 1995, after a long struggle with heart trouble and emphysema at the age of 92.

Les Brown - 28th June 1995, aged 74, from bone cancer which was only discovered a month before his death.

Ron Hamblen - 28th September 1995, aged 73, from cancer.

Heinz Knauer - 16th December 1995, 83 years. Although Heinz did not serve in RA Svy he was a member of the New South Wales Association enjoyed a close friendship from his days on the Snowy Mountains Scheme as a precise levelling Surveyor with the Major (our Lt.Col. H.P.G. Clews)

During World War II Heinz served as a Surveyor with the German Army and was taken prisoner of war by the Russians in 1943. He was held prisoner for 3 years, and his services were utilised by his captors once they discovered that he was a surveyor. He was amongst a group of surveyors recruited from Europe in 1950 for work on the Snowy Mountains Scheme.

Jack Gore - 18th October 1995.

On the Friday before he died, There was a Dining in Night in the Officers Mess (AHQ Survey Regt) and it was decided that it was no Dining in Night without Jack Gore and a number of officers, resplendent in Mess Kit paid him a visit in his ward at Mt Alvernia Hospital with a plate of Hor'dourves and a miniature bottle of whisky.

Dallas Walker - passed away in Kempsey Hospital in late October, 1995. Dallas was a member of Litho Sqn, having served at the Regiment from the mid 40s to the late 1960s.

Morgan Joseph Smith, died at home on 8th September 1995 after a long a courageous battle with cancer.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

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OUR CONGRATULATIONS to the NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION on the 50th ANNIVERSARY of their Association which was formed in Sydney in September 1946. Well done - you must surely be the 'Elder Statesman of the Associations' and we the youngest.

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3 Aust. Field Survey Coy. (A.I.F.) Association have forwarded a list of their current membership. Anyone wishing a copy should contact Phil.

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And For the Book Worms

We hear that Clem Sargent's book "The Colonial Garrison 1817 - 1824" was due for release in Feb 96. This book recounts the Australian service of the 48th Foot Northamptonshire in the Colony of NSW. This was one of the 25 British Regiments which garrisoned the Australian colonies during the period 1790 to 1870. The book which is of 210 pages with 7 in colour and includes 18 black and white illustrations and maps will be available at a cost of \$34.95 (soft cover) and \$49.50 (hard cover) - plus \$7.50 packing & postage. Anyone interested in obtaining a copy should contact Clem at 4 Boehm Close, Isaacs, ACT 2607.

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From 3 Aust Field Survey Coy (A.I.F.) Association comes news that their Company history entitled "Soldier Surveyors" has now been published:-

'It covers the years 1940 to 1945 - from formation in Woodend, Victoria to the cessation of hostilities in the Pacific. There are 160 pages of narrative covering war diaries, official reports, historical facts, personal experiences, anecdotes, characters of the Company, a nominal roll, 75 photographs of personnel and 15 maps and aerial photos of areas in which the Company served.

The price of the book is \$22, plus \$3.00 for postage and handling.
Please forward payment (Cheque payable to 3 Aust. Fld. Svy. Coy. Association to the Hon. Secretary - Ray Smith
108 Stewarts Lane
SUNBURY Vic 3429

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GENERAL ITEMSAUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL 1945-75 CLASP PNG

The following information has been received from the Director of Survey - Army:

'I am pleased to advise you that the Soldier Career Management Agency, Central Army Records Office, has confirmed that Army personnel serving in the former Territories of Papua and New Guinea (PNG) in the period 16 Feb 51 to 16 Sep 75 for not less than an aggregate of 180 days are probably eligible for the award of the Australian Service Medal 1945-75 Clasp PNG.

Individuals who believe that they may be eligible for the award of the medal and clasp should write to:

Soldier Career Management Agency
Central Army Records Office
Medals Section
GPO Box 393D
MELBOURNE VIC 3001"

LEAN BEADELL MEMORIAL

From the South Australian Association comes news that Len's widow, Anne, unveiled an inscribed plaque and a 1.8 metre high stainless steel replica theodolite, set up over a ground mark at Mount Beadell near the Giles weather station in W.A., in honour of her late husband. A mixed group of supporters left Adelaide in a convoy of 4 wheel drive vehicles on 8th May '96 for the ceremony which took place on the 12th May.

The whole project has been funded by private subscription and limited sponsorship, such as a \$300 donation from Dick Smith.

EAST BURWOOD FIELD SURVEY TRAINING DEPOT

A memorial to the Royal Australian Survey Corps was unveiled at the East Burwood Reserve on Sunday, May 21st 1995. Burwood Reserve was the home of the corps Field Survey Training Depot, which was established in 1941 to provide training for recruits to Army survey units. The training depot operated from 1941 to 1943. Its successor, the School of Military, is based at Bonegilla.

The bluestone cairn bears the following inscription:

**THIS EAST BURWOOD RESERVE
WAS THE LOCALITY OF THE
FIELD SURVEY TRAINING DEPOT
FOR THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN
SURVEY CORPS FROM 1941 TO 1943**

AUSTRALIA REMEMBERS 1995

Allan CAVANAGH

Cedric Clutterbuck has sent in an item headed "Newcastle surveyor chosen for 'Indiana Jones' Egypt expedition" which appeared in the December 1995 issue of "Surveying Australia". It is reproduced here in part:

Newcastle surveyor Allan Cavanagh has been selected by the Institution of Surveyors NSW to measure and map excavations and tombs at Saqqara and on the west bank of the River Nile at Luxor in Egypt.

The three-week expedition is part of Macquarie University's ongoing work on the excavation, conservation and recording of the Tomb of Amenemope at Luxor and the Tomb of Nedjet-em-pet at Saqqara

Mr Cavanagh's wife Delma, will also assist in the measurement and photographic activities in Egypt.

Mr Cavanagh, who is also the chairman of the Hunter Manning Group of the Institution of Surveyors, began the expedition on 29 November 1995.

**We would like to remind members, and their families that the association holds an
Royal Australian Survey Corps Flag
which is available for use at funeral services of ex RA Svy Corps members.**

IREMEMBER THE SCHOOL OF MILITARY SURVEY - BALCOMBE

I remember:

- Arriving at the School of Military Survey in Jul (24th) 1959 to meet firstly the Duty Piquet - one Sammy Watson then the Duty Officer - Cedric Harps.
- The sight of Cedric's wife. Tomiko, dashing up from the Balcombe Village in the pouring rain, soaking wet with an umbrella for him.
- The best tri-weekly duty of Rubbish. Ashes and Coke - emptying the camp rubbish bins, including the MQs opposite the Officers Mess (Father Jim Booton lived in one), cleaning out the boilers. Not included in the title was the chore that seemed to keep the SSM away from you was emptying out the grease traps, by bucket into a trailer and then careful, careful to the local dump - just off the Nepean Highway. Did wonders for maintaining one's boots.
- The night "Tichy" Hall (a cook) set fire to his mattress in the Staff Quarters - luckily the damage was confined to his room and he was not injured.
- The times when I worked in the Sgts Mess as a Steward, on one occasion I put an Aspirin on each bread and butter plate at breakfast (day after a Dining-In-Night) and the Easter when instead of the real ones I served them with Chocolate Easter Eggs
- Who else remembers the night the keg went missing (I forget which Mess but it may have been from RA Sigs) and it was found on the beach next morning (empty of course).
- The time Mick Spencer with others were visiting at the WRAAC Barracks - Mt Martha, and Madam WRAAC was coming on her rounds. Mick made a hasty retreat through the double doors of the lounge, only it happened to be on the first floor and there was no balcony.
- The first day of field work on the course which was chaining in Fraser's Paddock, ever tried chaining the day after your 21st Birthday celebrations.
- The time Bernie Snell (SSM) ordered that we tidy and brighten up our rooms - so we bought pot-plants.
- And who was it that owned that old black convertible (bomb) - I think it was a Willys - that didn't go, but was a great storage spot for empty beer bottles? The name Robinson seems to ring a bell.
- The time in the classroom when (Col) Hillier held a fire drill, lit a fire in a rubbish bin outside the room, shouted fire, fire (in the required loud clear voice) and we all sat still (well we were in the classroom to learn - weren't we?)

Barry Parker

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WESTLINK

I would like to include more "people news" in future editions and I also need some "stories" and "tales" etc from you the members.

It is especially important now that the Corps has gone that we collect on paper as much of the anecdotes and experiences of it's members before all these personal details are lost. Perhaps if enough material is forthcoming We can publish a compilation of them. Please forward contributions to me - even in draft form - I'll work with you to 'edit' them.

Barry